OAU urges non-intervention in Chad

ADDIS ABABA (R) — The chairman of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), Ethiopian leader Mengistu Haile Mariam. has called on all foreign powers not to intervene in what be called the grave situation unfolding in Chad. A statement issued Saturday by the Ethio, ian Foreign Ministry said Mr. Mengistu had made a special appeal to the presidents of Chad. Sudan and Libya to "exercise maximum restraint in the interest of peace and stability in the region." The appeal, also addressed to the bureau of the 19th OAU summit, called on "all powers to refrain from intervention in the matter since such intervention would only exacerbate the prevailing tense situation in the area." Chad's 17-year-old civil war entered a new phase this week with a major advance by the Libyan-backed forces of former President Goukouni Oueddei.

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Bombs explode in Beirut, Sidon

BEIRUT (R) — A bomb exploded early Saturday in the Israeli-held southern Lebanese port of Sidon killing an unidentified man, while another went off in Beirut, state-run Beirut Radio reported. The explosion in Sidon came just before dawn but other details of the incident were still unclear. The blast in Beirut wrecked a shop in the western part of the city just after midnight. Nobody was hurt.

Egypt raises oil prices

CAIRO (R) — Egypt has decreed a rise in its oil prices, bringing the price of the key Suez hlend up by 50 U.S. cents to \$28,25 a harrel, a spokesman for the Egyptian General Petroleum Cooperation (EGPC) said Saturday...

175 reported killed in Indian floods

.NEW DELHI (R) — At least 175 people have died in flash floods and rainstorms which hit parts of India's western state of Gujarat this week and some 275 others are reported missing. officials said Saturday. The floods, caused by three days of heavy monsooo rains, have affected some 170,000 people in 225 villages in Gujarat.

Evren says 850,000 arms seized since coup

ANKARA (R) - President Kenan Evren said Saturday that security forces had seized some 850.000 arms in Turkey since the September, 1980, military coup that brought him to power. Addressing a rally in the eastern province of Sürt. which borders Syris and Iraq, be said arms were smuggled into Turkey and sometimes re-exported by those responsible the take-over.

India beats Windies in World Cricket

LONDON (R) - India sensationally won the one-day World Cricket Cup when they pulled off a 43-run victory against all the odds over holders West Indies in the final here at Lord's Saturday. Outsiders India were dismissed for a modest 183 in 54.4 of their 60 overs after being put in on n good batting pitch, but triumphed in their first-ever final by skittling West Indies for 140 with eight overs left.

Kurdish rebels to free Iranian captives

GENEVA (R) - Iran's Kurdish Democratic Party (KDP) bas announced its intention to free a number of Iranian prisoners, a spokesman for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said Friday. He said the KDP intended to hand the prisoners over to the Red Cross. It was not known how many Iranians would be released nor what their wbereabouts were. The KDP, the higgest guerrilla organisation in western Iran, has been fighting the central government for greater self-rule since the 1979 revolution.

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Tension follows Arafat's charges Syria plans massacre

PLO fighters, Syrians on high alert in Bekaa

BEIRUT (R) — Syrian troops and Palestinian fighters both for and against leader Yasser Arafat were reported at a state of alert in north and east Lebanon Saturday after the PLO leader's expulsion from Syria.

Tension was high after Mr. Ara- which is occupied by Syrian or Isrfat's statement Friday that the Syrians planned a massacre of Palestinians similar to mass murders by Lebanese militiamen in Beirut

refugee camps last September. There are tens of thousands of Palestinian refugees in north and east Lebanon, packed into camps protected by Palestinian fighters.

Arafat loyalists in the northern Lebanese port of Tripoli, their main stronghold, tried to ease the tension by saying they favoured a. democratic rather than a military solution to the rehellion against Mr. Arafat.

State-run Beirut Radio reported that Mr. Arafat's military: deputy Khalil Al Wazir, known as-Abu Jihad, had arrived in Tripoli along with 16 other leaders of Mr. Arafat's Fatch guerrilla group after touring other loyalist bases

Abu Jihad has said he was barred from returning to Damascus in the same order served oo Mr. Arafat in Damascus Friday by the Syrians. He now appears to be stranded within Lebanoo, most of

irman Yasser Arafat Saturday

accused both Arab and non-Arab

countries including the United

States of trying to break up his

ernational peace congress. Mr.

Damascus Friday, did not oame'

Syria, one of the Soviet bloc's clo-

The PLO leader, who faces vio-

favourably to a United Nations Eslami.

report on damage caused to civ-

ilian areas in Iran and Iraq during the nearly three-year-old Gulf

Iran's U.N. representative.

Saeed Rajai Khorasani, told Teh-

ran newspapers he considered the report "realistic" and hinted that

it could lead to Iran cooperating

"On the whole, considering the

language of the United Nations.

more with the Security Council.

lent opposition from sections of

sest allies in the Middle East.

aeli troops. Correspondents in Tripoli and Lebanon's eastern Bekaa Valley said both pro and anti-Arafat factions were at high alert. Arafai loyalist fighters set up

fresh machine-gun positions aro-

und the Nahr Al Bared and Baddawi refugee camps outside Tripoli, Beirut Radio reported. Syrian troops were also on high alert around Tripoli and had str-

engibened their artillery positions in the hills. Syria said Saturday it was committed to Palestinian unity and oot to any individual. The official Damascus Radio accused Mr.

Syrian territory. Fateh and PLO offices in Damascus functioned oormally Saturday, the PLO WAFA news agency said.

It quoted PLO official Saadiddin Al Gbandour as saying: "Sincere efforts are being made at Palestinian. Arab and friendly levels to solve the crisis." In Tunis, Arab diplomatic sou-

Arafat vows to fight intervention in PLO

PRAGUE (R) — Palestine Lib-eration Organisation (PLO) Cha-ived here unexpectedly via Tunis strength, he added.

after quitting the Syrian capital.

Middle East are an attempt by

Ronald Reagan and his Secretary

·Western media were trying to

turn public opinion against the

PLO because it had recently imp-

roved its image, he said. But the

organisatioo would respond to

The U.N. report, released on

It contained an account of wid-

espread damage seen by the team

and together with statements by

Iranian officials and local people

shows that the U.N. missioo found

more extensive damage in Iran

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Thursday, was written by a four-man team which visued Iran and

Iraq last month.

than Iraq.

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In an bour-long speech to a Communist-sponsored int
He said a campaign to break up the unity of the PLO was underway, prepared by U.S. President

the PLO who accuse him of dow- attempts to break it up with "fir-

oplaying armed struggle and going mness, cohesioo and unity." The

Tehran reacts favourably

to U.N. report on damage

TEHRAN (R) — Iran has reacted urday in the newspaper Jomhouri

pond firmly and as one to such erfere inside the PLO."

Arafat, who was expelled from of State George Shultz.

Speaking through interpreters,

he said: "Recent eveots in the

Arab summit or foreign ministers conference in the near future. Before leaving Saturday for Prague. Mr. Arafat proposed such a meeting to discuss the dispute.

Arah diplomats said neither a summit nor a foreign ministers meeting was considered opportune at the moment.

Mr. Arafat, who flew from Damascus to Tunis Saturday, said on arrival there that Syria planned to massacre his men in Lebanon in a bid to dominate the PLO. Mr. Arafat commanders in Bekaa said their men were ringed by Syrian

In Kuwait, the daily newspaper Al Qabas quoted the PLO cbairman as saying io a telephone interview from Tunis that he held Syrian President Hafez Al Assad "responsible for what happened...
they are trying to liquidate the Palestinians.

Asked if he planned to return to the Bekaa Valley io eastern Leb-Arafat of spreading lies while oo anon, Mr. Arafat said: "I will be where my forces are."

He did oot say how he would controls land access to their bases while the Israeli oavy blockades the coast around Tripoli in northern Lebanon.

Informed Arab sources in Prague said Mr. Arafat flew Saturday to the Czechoslovak capital after isian government officials.

Mr. Arafat told about 2,500

delegates from 140 countries to

the peace conference that he sup-

ported a proposal by Moscow for

an international conference on the

He described the Soviet Unioo

Mr. Arafat said the PLO was

as bis "principal friend" and a bas-

tion of support for all liberation

basically peaceful and coocluded

his speech to loud applause by say-

ing: "Our people still holds in its

band the green olive branch and

will never let it fall. The gun in the

other hand is to defend this

Talks resume

BAHRAIN (R) - Environment

experts met here Saturday for

fresh talks on how to fight an oil

slick in the Gulf caused by sha-

ttered Iraniao wells in the Iran-

Experts from Saudi Arabia,

Bahrain, Kuwait, and Qatar att-

eoded Saturday's talks and were

expected to be joined by delegates

from Iran, Iraq, Oman and the

Khaled Fakhro, head of Bah-

rain's emergency pollution centre, told reporters the experts would

Iraq war zone, officials said.

United Arab Emirates.

on oil slick

Middle East.

movements.

rees discounted chances of an less than 24 hours in Tunis. In Prague, the official Czeehoslovak news agency Ceteka said the PLO leader attended a meetiog Saturday of the Communist-sponsored "World Assembly for Peace and Life, Against Nuclear War." which

Fahd-Arafat contacts

opened on Tuesday.

The Saudi Press Agency, mooitored in Bahrain, reported without detail Saturday that King Fahd of Saudi Arabia discussed the Palestinian situation with Mr. Arafat in a telephone call to Tunis Friday oight.

The call, made a few hours after Mr. Arafat arrived in Tunis, seemed to underline Saudi coocern at the deterioration of Arafat-Damascus relations.

Saudi Arabia and its Gulf neighbour Kuwait bave been trying to mediate between Mr. Arafat and the rebels in his movement, who are demanding a tougher pol-itical stance by the PLO, all-out return to his troops. Syris's army armed struggle against Israel and a collective leadership. ·

While in Tunis, Mr. Arafat also conferred with Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi. who bas recently urged all Palestinian factions to unite, and Tun-

Chad rebels

key position

take over

town of Fsya-Largeau.

Friday night.

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north.

in N'diamena, confirming the ser-

ious setback in a statement, said

loyal troops made a "tactical eva-

cuation" from the desert oasis

kouni Queddei's rebel army, fol-

lowing an appeal for a United Nat-

ions Security Council debate.
Chad President Hissene Habre.

1941, seot his Justice Minister

capital of Libreville with a mes-

Mr. Bongo arranged peace talks

last year between Mr. Hahre,

ex-president Goukouoi and lea-

ders of other Chadian factions

which have been fighting a civil

war in the former Freech colooy

for 17 years. The talks were uns-

Mr. Goukouni has consistently

denied that Libya has provided

troops or military hardware to

help his six-month offeosive in the

But Western powers and mod-

olvement in the 36-hour attack on

Faya-Largeau is still ımknown,

but Mr. Habre has accused Tripoli

France has said it will not rem-

ain indifferent if Libya gets involved, raising hopes in N'djamena

of French support if the rebel adv-

Mr. Goukoun's men now con-

trol the road south to N'djamena

but loyal garrisons at Salal and

Moussoro remain in their way.

In the past, rebel forces have

normally attacked the south only

after gaining control of the city of

Abeche in the east of the country.

But impending rains, which could

hold up mechanised columns, may

have hampered Mr. Goukouni's

Informed sources in N'djamena

said the country's supreme aut-

bority, the command council of

Mr. Habre's northern armed for-

ces, will meet soon to discuss the

ance continues.

plans.

of direct military interventioo.

sage for President Bongo.

be called to discuss PLO-Syria conflict

Summit may

Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yas-

ser Arafat flashes the V-fnr-victory sign Saturday

while attending the "World Assembly for Peace and

BAHRAIN (R) - An Arab summit may be called to discuss the rift between Syria and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) if the PLO asks for such a meeting, a senior Gulf gov-N'DJAMENA (R) - The Chad emmeot official said Saturday.

government confirmed Saturday There is a desire to hold a that Libyan-backed rebels now summit, but it all depends whether the PLO officially asks for it," the control about one-third of the official, who asked not to be buge Central African nation after capturing the strategic northern named, told Reuters.

He also said Saudi Arabia and An emergency cahinet meeting other Gulf Arab states would hold urgent consultations in the next two days on the crisis between Syria and PLO leader Yasser Arafat, who was expelled from Damascus Friday.

"There is deep anxiety among members of the Gulf Cooperation Meanwhile. Chad accelerated diplomatic efforts to stop Gou-Council (GCC) over developments in the area... which mean more Arab disintegration," the Gulf official said.

who was born in Faya-Largeau in The council groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oudalbaye Naham to the Gabon Oman and the United Arab Emirates, all major political and finaneial supporters of the PLO.

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have been trying to mediate between Arafat supporters within the PLO and dissidents, whom Mr. Arafat says are backed by Syria. Syria denies taking sides.

Mr. Arafat was quoted as saying on arrival in Tunis Friday night that he would put his problems with the Syrian government bef-ore the whole Arah Nation.

Mr. Arafat now has to direct his followers in Lebanon and Syria from Tunis in their fight against rebels in his Fateh commando group, who want a tougher poltical stance.

Committee lauds King's support for Palestinians

(A.P. wirephoto)

Life Against Nuclear War," in Prague Saturday

AMMAN (Petra) - The Arab and Syria in general, and in Leb-Higher Committee for Palestine anoo's Bekaa Valley in particular. (AHCP) Saturday issued a sta- is the direct result of a conspiracy tement in which it voiced total that had been hatched by those support for His Majesty King who want to liquidate the Palthe independence of the Pal- estinian rights." estiniao people." -

ependence of the Palestine Libhis firm stand against any interference in PLO affairs.

The statement condemned 'artacks on the Palestinian people. of destroying the PLO."

"What is happening in Lebanoo ependence."

Hussein's policies vis-a-vis the estinian cause by removing from Palestine issue and its pride in the the scene those who are carrying King's "keenness in safeguarding on the struggle to regain the Pal-It also called on the Palestinians The statement paid tribute to and the Palestinian fighters "to the King's support for the ind- work for the recovery of the usu-

rped land and the liberation of the eration Organisation (PLO) and Palestinian people, and to abort the conspiracy and resume the strnggle for liberation in one united body."

The statement appealed to and current attempts to cause a rift Arab countries to take all "necin the ranks of the Palestinians and essary steps to save the Palthe Fatch movement with the aim estinians from their present plight and to safeguard their rights, fre-The AHCP statement said. edom of action and ind-

Pakistan denies Indian report on nuclear testing

denied Saturday an Indian newspaper report that it exploded a spaper, which supports the pronuclear device earlier this month and said it had no intention of developing ouclear weapons.

A Foreign Ministry statement called the report in the pro-Communist daily Patriot of New

Delhi an "unfounded canard". The Patriot report Saturday said Pakistan bad exploded a nuclear device on June 13 near Quetta, capital of its Baluchistan Province bordering Afghanistan and

Iran. "This mischievous allegation by the Patriot is categorically rejected as totally false and bas-

eless," the ministry statement "The government of Pakistan has reiterated on numerous occasions that it has no intention to

Moscow Communist Party of India (CPI), quoted "highly competent sources engaged in monnoring Islamabad's plans to develop an atomic bomb." It said the seismic station of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

The report in the Patriot new-

near Bangalore in south India had recorded a scismic event south of Quetta on June 13. An Indian External Affairs

Ministry spokesman said later that the Bhabha ceotre had recorded a "seismic event" with its epicenisc south of Quetta on June 13.

But replying to questions, he said the exact cause was not known. Asked whether it could be consistent with a nuclear explosion, he said: "It could be, it may develop nuclear weapons," it not be."

Protests greet Bush in W.Germany families sailed to the New World

KREFELD, West Germany (R) - One hundred anti-American demonstrators were arrested and six police injured during a clash in . Krefeld Saturday as U.S. Vice-President George Bush addressed a ceremony marking the 300th anniversary of German settlement in the New World.

Police said about 1,000 demonstrators split from a rally, attended by about 10,000 people. being held in protest against planned deployment of U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles in Western Europe.

They then threw stones and paint at security officials.

The incidents happened some distance from where Mr. Bush and West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl were taking part in the tricentennial ceremony ceremony in the Civic Hall at Krefeld. ft was from this town, on the River that the stones broke the win-Rhine, near Duesseldorf, that 13 dscreen of a bus carrying Ame-

in 1683 to found the settlement of 'Germantown ocar Philadelphia. The organisers of the demonstration expected up to 40,000 people to take part in the anti-

ouclear protest.

Police said only about 10,000 had appeared. They said most demonstrators were peaceful and that protesters distanced themselves from the troublemakers.

Police said later that Mr. Bush's car was hit by stones as the official cavalcade left Krefeld for another

ceremony. They said about 200 demonstrators who bad tried to break through police lines protecting the route threw stones and the vice

president's car was slightly dam-Mr. Bush bimself was uninjured, police said. They added

rican guests at the ceremony but no one was injured.

Wheo Mr. Bush opened a museum in oearby Bottrop later, 1,500 people took part in peaceful demonstrations and police arrested 19 who staged a sit-down protest blocking his route.

Former Chancellor Willy Brandt told a Social Democratic Party (SPD) rally in Duisburg. also near Krefeld, that troublemakers had discredited peaceful demonstrators.

Bush calls for 'sacrifices'

In his speech at the Civic Hall, Mr. Bush called on West Germans to make sacrifices to keep Western defences strong. He said the West's peace and prosperity was "ceaselessly threatened by hostile ideologies and states" and said the main danger came from the Soviet Union.

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we must accept that what has been Nations and other world bodies discuss a detailed plan for clearing stated is good and realistic," he treating it and Iraq equally when the slick said to be dotted over said in an interview published Satcommenting on the war. 21,000 square kilometres

MANILA (R) - U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz Saturday praised President Ferdinand Marcos' economic austerity moves and said they would help return the Philippines to economic bealth.

He also told Mr. Marcos that the Philippines and the United States shared democratic values and should work to defend them. and strengthen democratic ins-

ernment had offered a way of end-

ing the strike which would be put

to the two-day meeting called bef-

ore the strike began.

Shultz's ooe-day vish to Manila at the start of a four-nation Asian

talks earlier Mr. Marcos listened with interest to Mr. Shultz's for- Mr. Marcos and said that with the Uoited States.

He also pressed for a waiver of

the presidential palace during Mr. sideration in Washington, the officials said.

U.S. officials said that during Shultz praised what be called the courageous economic moves by rovement in the world economy

limitations on Philippine exports Ithy Philippine economy as well as Mr. Shultzwas speaking at a lav- to the United States under trade our own."

"we are bound to see a very hea-

owners, apparently the only group

The truck owners say they have emment.

bad no visible effects.

erate African states agree with Shultz lauds Philippines austerity moves Mr. Habre's government that the Libyan air force and artillery have provided crucial assistance to the ish luneh given by Mr. Marcos at legislation now onder eon-3.500-strong rebel army. The degree of Lihyan inv-

In his luncheoo toast, Mr.

ecast of an economic upturn in the austerity measures and an imp-

Isolated Chilean truckers review strike SANTIAGO (R) -- Chile's truck

owners, angry at being left vir- of the reported offer, but indicated there had been more contually alone on the frontline of a tacts with the government Satgeneral strike, were meeting Saturday to review the two-day-old urday. stoppage, unioo sources said. Their president, Adolfo Quinteros, said the military gov-

unions."

He declined to give any details virtually paralysed road transport, but the stoppage appears to have

The strikers have issued a list of demands, including the release of He told reporters the truck detained union leaders, the reinstatement of workers sacked to respond to the strike call, were after a strike last week in the key "very cross at the attitude of other copper industry and an injection of democracy into the gov-

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MIDDLE EAST

Report cautions against special terms for U.S. aid to Israel

WASHINGTON (R) - Special terms for American aid to Israel se precedents which could lead to demands from other countries for similar favourable treatment, a congressional report has said. Israel is the largest recipient of U.S. aid. followed by Egypt. In

1983. Israel is to get \$2.5 billion in military and economic aid. The report by the General Accounting Office (GAO), the investigating arm of Congress, said Israel had been allowed to write off a substantial portion of its military loans and received more military equipment with export potential than other countries.

GAO takes no position on the level or terms of assistance to Israel hut believes the precedents heing set by the liheralised fin-ancing methods should be continually considered against the possibility that other recipient countries will ask for similar concessions." the report said.

An official of the Israeli embassy in Washington said the aid terms were justified by the Middle East situation.

"We believe the report emphasises the American interest in aid to Israel and justifies the improvement in the terms made in the last few

years." embassy official Dan Halperin said. "The report emphasises the unique relationship and the role Israel

would affect that support. The American Israel Public Affairs Committee, a pro-Israeli organisation, said the GAO report found U.S. aid to Israel was effective and benefited the United States. "The programme is well-run and efficient, according to the report. which makes no findings of mismanagement, waste or abuse." the committee said in a statement. Begin plans to mediate as more

plays in checking Soviet expansion." he told Reuters.

perceives from its Arab neighbours.

this way than sending troops to the area.

felt there would be no deht problem.

The report said Israel based its aid requests on military threats it

"As long as Israel is faced with such a combination of hostile

neighbours backed hy a superpower. Israel will need aid." Halperin

"It is a good American investment," he added. "It's much better

The GAO said Israel's rising deht to the United States might create

financing problems. But it said the State Department disagreed and

There is strong support for increased aid to Israel in both houses of Congress and Mr. Halperin said he did not think the GAO report-

·TEHRAN (R) - Iranian government forces have cleared rehcls out of several villages in a Kurdish area of northwestern Iran in two operations over the past week, the national news agency

IRNA reported. The agency quoted reports issued hy the revolutionary guards corps, a paramilitary force which plays a major role in action against Kurdish rebels, as saying government units had killed 70 rebels in an operation on June 21 and 22.

The IRNA report, published in Saturday's Tehran press, said government forces captured two villages and some strategic high ground between the town of Sanandaj and Dehgolan in Kurdestan Pro-

Iranians

clash with

rebel Kurds

It added that several villages around Dehgolan had been eleared of rebels and 27 "counterrevolutionaries" killed in a separate operation between June 15

Iran and Iraq, which have been at war for nearly three years, have each accused the other of supporting rebel Kurds in the other's

Last Thursday Iran accused Iraq of giving artillery support to Kurdish rebels during fighting between the rebels and Iranian forces near the Iranian town of

Sardasht. A command centre known as the Hazmeh headquarters after a hero of early Islam is in charge of anti-Kurdish operations. Official statements do not say exactly where it is located, but most reports about it come from the town of Urumiyeh, close to the border

with both Iraq and Turkey. The Iranian news agency said last Tuesday that a new commander. Col. Satari, had heen appointed to run the Hazmeh headquarters, replacing Col. Abshenasan. It gave no furtber details.

JORDAN TELEVISION

TEL AVIV (R) - Israeli hospitals closed more wards and doctors weakened hy a 12-day-old hunger strike collapsed Saturday as Prime Minister Menachem Begin planned arbitration to end

Negotiations to meet the doctors' demands for wage rises of 100 per cent resumed after being suspended for the Jewish Sahhath Friday night. Doctors and government officials reported progress in talks Friday.

For over a week now, hourly radio news hulletins have issued long lists of closing wards as an increasing number of hospitals. accepted only life-or-death cases and doctors proved too weak to treat patients.

Malta to

Mr. Begin planned to ask his cahinet in its weekly session Sunday to agree to put outstanding issues in the wage dispute before a mutually agreed arbitration

hospitals close, doctors faint

About half of Israel's 7,000 have joined the hunger strike, which has snowballed from a fast hy a dozen doctors 12 days ago into one of the most dramatic labour disputes in Israel's history.

The doctors, who have been pressing for negotiations to be taken out of the hands of Treasury Minister Yoram Aridor, were encouraged by a statement Friday from Mr. Begin's cabinet secretary that the prime minister would urge arbitration.

But they vowed not to eat until the issues to go before the board had been outlined in writing and signed hy both sides.

Mr. Aridor, fearful of unl-eashing fresh labour unrest by meeting the doctors' demands, has government-employed doctors for months refused to offer them more than the 22 per cent salary rise allowed under a collective work agreement.

After Mr. Begin intervened personally in the strike for the first time this week, the government agreed to increase starting salaries for doctors from \$350 a month to the national average of about

But agreement has yet to be reached both on the hours doctors sbould work and on overtime pay.



inined Colonel Abu Musa's group in a rebellion against Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat are Saturday seen outside

Valley, approximately three kilometres from Israeli front-lines (A.P. wirephoto)

U.N. chief to visit Tunis

UNITED NATIONS (R) - Uni ted Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar will leave New York this week for a twoweek foreign tour that will include talks with Arab League officials and East German Leader Erich Honecker the U.N. said.

Officials said he would travel first to Nice in southern France and then to Tunis for meetings with Arab League officials on ways of improving relations bet-ween the organisation and the United Nations.

Habib in Rome for private visit

ROME (R) - Philip Habib. President Reagan's Middle East negotiator, arrived in Rome Saturday from Washington for a two-day private visit, the U.S. embassy

Mr. Habib frequently stops in Rome on his way to and from the the Middle East.

Turkish leader finds European criticism unjustified

ANKARA (R) — Turkey's military president Gen. Kenan Evren. criticising the European commission of human rights, has accused it of having remained silent when torture was applied here before the 1980 military coup.

Addressing a crowd in the southeastero city of Mardin. Gen. Evren said torture of all kinds was being carried out in Turkey by different factions before the coup which dissolved parliament and brought him to power.
"They (the human rights com-

mission) have not said a word in protest over thise tortures, hut

when we started to draw an end to these activities and send (those involved) to jail, then they started screaming and saying torture was being applied in Turkey," he said.

Norway, France, the Netherlands. Sweden and Denmark

filed a complaint with the commission against Turkey early this year accusing it of human rights "Turkey has given the nec-

essary answer to those countries which had brought a complaint against Turkey before the committee," Gen. Evren said. He said there had been press

reports a few days ago of a Turkish worker being beaten to death by police in a country allied to Turkey which be did not name. Human rights are being vio-

lated in those places, not in Turkey," Gen. Evren said.

Raid in Iraq

The president also mentioned the Turkish operation into Iragi border territory with Baghdad's approval late last month after rebels and said there had been few He said those who had escaped

from Turkish police after the coup had started to re-enter the country through the soutbern border, areas, stealing and harassing peasants and shooting at frontier tro-"Thus the Turkish army exc-

reised a small-scale operation in the area, with the full knowledge and acceptance of our frieod Iraq. to save the security of our people." Gen. Evren said. "During the operation, one of

our soldiers lost his life from shots from the other side, while one of them died when we opened fire in retaliation," he said.

U.S. diplomat predicts stalemate in Afghanistan Vatican asks suspend bill

has asked Malta to suspend a bill Kabul said Saturday. which would take some of the

church's wealth to provide for free education in private schools, most of which are run by religious ord-Deputy Prime Minister Carredible resilience". melo Mifsud Bonnici told the

Labour Party annual conference that a request for talks between the Vatican and Malta had been made in a letter from Archhishop Achille Silvestrini, president of the Vatican council for public aff-Soviet forces, which bave suf-

Archhishop Silvestrini said the talks could be held in Malia after July 4.

The government said the bill, due to be presented to parliament on Monday, aimed at providing cash to make fee-paying private schools free and open to all.

WASHINGTON (R) — The insurgent war against the Soviet-hacked government in Afg-hanistan will be a long stalemate, the former senior U.S. diplomat in Kabul said Saturday. "week, said the flight of refugees this week that insurgents had hit from the country continued, inc-Charles Dunbar, just back after 18 months as U.S. charge d'aff-

aires in Kabul told reporters that the anti-communist Afghan resistance continued to show "inc-For the fourth summer in a row.

he said, the insurgents were bouneing back from Moscow's spring offensive aimed at ending the war of attrition which has been fought since Soviet troops moved into the country in December 1979.

fered heavy casualties in some parts of the country, "have not by any means broken the back of the resistance", he said.

But moscow had a determined and long-term commitment to the conflict and continually reaffirmed the irreversibility of the

luding members of the Westerooriented middle class from the on the capital in two years. capital of Kabul. This left the field

open for a new generation of communist-trained bureaucrats. Mr. Dunbar. who spent five years in Afghanistan, said the rebel forces got hold of "a tremendous amount" of weapons from the regular Afghan army and its Soviet allies.

Each year, he said, Soviet forces have launched a major offensive in the spring, including heavy ulated areas of the country.

bombardment of the most pop-But every summer, the rebels have left their winter refugees and launched auccessful strikes against

the Soviets. He said the autumn would find "a token regime presence", mosSoviet and Afghan targets in

Kabul in the most intense attacks U.N. reports progress

GENEVA (R) --- United Nations special envoy Diego Cordovez said Friday further progress had been made at talks with Afghanistan and Pakistan to find a political solution to the Afghan

Mr. Cordovez, who was speaking to journalists at the end of negotiations bere with the foreign ministers of both countries, said be would undertake a new round of discussions in capitals of the area, including Tehran, towards the end of the summer.

The U.N. envoy went earlier this year to Islamahad, Kabul and

He said he would also start preliminary consultations with the governments of the Soviet Union and the United States, adding that during the talks these had been identified as possible guarantors for a settlement.

"We have had an excellent series of working sessions with very difficult negotiations," Mr. Cordovez said, adding that the last round moved at "very good average speed".

He said preparations would be made to set in motion arrangements to ensure what be called the satisfactory return of Afghan refugees now in Pakistan and Iran. Mr. Cordovez said the Afg-

han and Pakistani foreign ministers, Shah Mohammad Dost and Sahabzadah Yaqub Khan, stressed they would make every effort to overcome remaining obstacles. He would not say what those obstacles were.

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Relief aid goes to Ethiopian drought victims, aide declares

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conference after a fact-finding mission to Ethiopia that the reports. first published in the London Sunday Times in March, were

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false. The aid was properly used.

Mr. Poniatowski, a former French interior minister and head of the Parliament's development committee, led a four-man delegation around areas of Ethiopia that are baving the worst drought since the one 10 years ago in which 200,000 people died.

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DJIBOUTI (R) - A senior

Albania demands better

VIENNA (R) — Albania has protested to Greece after a bomb No one was hurt in the hiast.

Albanian Foreign Minister Reis Malile told Greek Charge d'affaires Nicholas Krisojelos that Greece had failed to guard the emb-

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Refugee leaders discuss Palestine with Athens mayor

AMMAN (J.T.) — Palestinian refugees in Jordan Saturday voiced their appreciation to the people and government of Greece for the support given to just Arab causes in general and the Palestinian struggle in particular.

These sentiments were voiced at a meeting between representatives of Palestinian refugees and visiting Athens Mayor Dim-

itrios Beys and his delegation. At the meeting. Mr. Beys reiterated his government's demand for a total Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab territories and

Later Mr. Beys, accompanied by Amman Mayor Abdul Ra ouf Al Rawabdeh, visited the municipality of Amman's studies centre where they were briefed on the research projects being conducted by

specialists in a number of fields to develop districts in Amman. Afterwards they called at the Urban Development Corporation (UDC) where they met its Director Hisham Al Zagha who told them about the establishment of the department and the programme to develop the poorer areas of Amman.

Mr. Beys. who has already held meetings with Crown Prince Hassan and Prime Minister Mudar Badran, is due to leave for home

Hospital nursery in children struck by food poisoning

AMMAN (J.T.) - Thirty-five ween one and a half and seven children aged hetween two and seven have been poisoned after cating at the Al Bashir Hospital nursery Thursday.

A report in the local Arabie press said that all the sufferers have been treated and cured excera for seven chronic cases where the victims have been transferred to the Madaha hospital which has better facilities.

According to nurse Khadija Al Namrouti from the hospital's children section, children suffering from tood poisoning arrived at the hospital from the nursery school, which adjoins the hospital, after enting spaghetti for lunch. They all had a high fever and were feeling pain in their stomachs, she said. The nursery, she added? accommodates 64 children aged betyears old but the younger ones had not been poisoned having not eaten the food, nurse Khadija said. Two of the victims, when interviewed, said that they first felt very hot and then they began to

Mr. Adel Sadeq, responsible for the provision of food at Al Bashir Hospital, ruled out a suggestion that the food might have been poisoned when it was being prepared hy the catering company which normally provides 1200 daily meals for the hospital.

He said that once the food arrives at the hospital, it is distributed in pois provided by the hospital. It was possible, he admitted, that these might not have been properly sterilised before the food was served to the children.



Representatives from the Civil Service Commission and the Institute of Public Administration Saturday

discuss cooperation between each other (Petra

Police arrest 'juice injection'

Government-owned hotel at Petra to open Aug. 1

AMMAN (Petra) - Minister of Tourism and Antiquities Va'an Abu Nowar Saturday urged both Jordanians and foreign tourists to stay at the new Petra Hotel which has been built by the ministry at the ancient Nabatean town of Petra in southern Jor-

He said in a statement that the ationers. hotel is almost ready to receive visitors, and preparations are underway for the formal opening of the hotel.

The new hotel has already been furnished and is expected to he open for tourists by Aug. 1. the minister said. He added that the 2-room hotel can accommodate 300 visitors in its dining room, and has a swimming pool and all the amenities desired by summer vac-

gang

Adjoining the hotel, a new res-taurant will also be opened. This restaurant is located within the ancient city, which offers the rourists a chance of having meals and refreshments during the tour of the ancient city, the minister said.

The Ministry of Tourism Wednesday announced that a new res-. taurant will be opened near the ancient Roman city of Jerash on July 1. The new restaurant will be



the ministry said in a statement.

Civil Service Commission, **IPA** discuss cooperation

AMMAN [Petra] — A meeting was held at the Civil Service Commission (CSC) Saturday to discuss coordination and the common ground between the CSC, the Institute of Public Administration (IPA) and the job descriptions of government emp-

The meeting, which was chaired by the CSC's Under-Secretary Khaled Al Radaideh, was attended by 17 senior employees from various government dep-artments as well as the acting director of the IPA.

IRBID (Petra) - The murderers'

of a Jordanian from Anjara in the

north of the country have been

caught by the local police here

almost one year after the killing

took place.

that the three had earlier drunk AQABA (J.T) - The police depariment in Agaba has arrested the members of a gang of thieves who used to drug their victims before ther six people suffering from the A report in Al Ra'i newspaper

A police statement issued here have been referred to the court for

have now been apprehended, and ers were accomplices to the crime.

Saturday said that the gang used to inject drugs into fruit juice cans, before offering it to their victims. The victims were put to sleep for between 10 hours and three

robbing them.

days after taking the drugged juice. during which time the gang used to steal their money, jewellery and other belongings, according to a police statement.
The deeds of the gang first came

to light after three people in Aqaba were taken to the Princess Haya Hospital suspected of sufinvestigating the case found out and heads a group of unemployed

Anjara murder solved after 12 months

Saturday said that three people

who took part in the murder of

lbrahim Mustafa 'Al Ma'touq, which took place on July 16, 1982.

juice offered to them by two Egyptians living in Aqaha. This was followed by the discovery of ano-

The six were found in one of Aqaha hotels and near the bus garage and the port and all admitted having taken the juice offered to them by Egyptians and this eaused them to lose consciousness, according to the rep-

Police intensified their search for the culprits and were able to apprehend two members of the gang. These then told the police that the gang leader, an Egyptian fering from food poisoning. Police named Rifast. lived in Baghdad

One of the identified only as

MHA eventually admitted killing

the man and said that the two oth-

people who have planned a number of robberies and other crimes.

They said that the gang used to inject the drug into the cans by means of a syringe or alternatively offered their victims drugged tea or milk before committing their crime. The effect of the drug takes effect only 15 minutes after being taken by the victim, the report

According to the robbers the gang leaders used to travel between Baghdad, Cairo and Turkey where they carried the drug to give to their accomplices. Following intensive police contacts and investigations, all members of the gang have now been apprehended and are now awaiting trial, the report added.

World Bank approves \$8m loan to IDECO

Ministry study catalogues

educational institutions

King condoles Dajanis

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein Saturday delegated Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid 10 offer his sympathy to

the Dajani family on the death of Abu Al Wafa Al Dajani. Mr.

Dajani was a leading member of the Jordanian business com-



Mohammad Arafa

IRBID (Petra) — The World Bank has approved in principle a SK million loan to the Irbid District Electricity Company (IDECO), according to the company's director Mohammad

He said that the loan will finance a project for the clectrification of rural regions in the Irbid Governorate.

A World Bank team visited the Irbid region early last week and held talks with IDECO officials who briefed them on the company's projects in Irbid's region.

Abdullah's life depicted

AMMAN IJ.T.1 - An exhibition king's capture of the Ottoman fort entitled "Pictures on the Life of at Ta'if. the king's meeting with His Majesty King Abdullah". Gen. Allenby in Cairo 1920, his gdom, is open to the public now and for the next fortnight, according to Dr. Nasseruddin Al Assad. president of the Royal Academy for Islamic Civilisation Research (Alal Bait Foundation).

On display at the foundation headquarters in Amman are 150 pictures depicting five main stages in life of the late king and his straggle to establish the kingdom. Or. Assad said. The exhibition. organised to mark the centenary celebrations of King Abdullah's hirth was opened last Tuesday by His Majesty King Hussein.

One group of these pictures depicts the life of the king and the events in the region between 1916 and 1451, mostly featuring the sion Churchill, then Britain's colonial minister, and one showing him at a review of the army accompanied by the present King Hussein Ibn Talal.

The second group includes pictures which feature the various places where the king grew up in Hijaz and Istanbul. The third includes pietures on the Great Arab Revolt itself and Prince Abdullah's campaigns against the Ottomans in Ta'if.

The fourth group of pictures represent the developments preceding the establishment of the Trans-Jordanian Emirate in 1921 while the fifth group of pictures depicts the independence era.



One of the pictures on display as part of the exhibition on the life of His Majesty King Abdullah

which celebrates the centenary year of his hirth (Petra photo)

Alia fits its Boeing first class with new reclining seating

AMMAN (J.T) - Alia. the Royal Jordanian Airline, have installed 18 super-reclining seats with hydraulic-power leg rests in the main deck first class cabins of their three Boeing 747s.

Passengers in the "First Class Sleeperettes" will be able manually to recline the seats by 60 degrees by using the controls in the armrest.

The Alia Boeing 747s serve the Amman-New York route daily via Vienna or Amsterdam as well as flying from Amman to Bangkok. Last year. Alia implemented its traditional Jordanian hospitality 'Ya Hala' service on all its 36 destination routes. Under this facility, attendants are dressed in authentic regional costumes and

serve coffee from brass pots.

study by the Ministry of Education nursing colleges, one hotel traschools in Jordan of which 2,119 are owned and operated directly

The study also stated that the country has eight universities on both hanks of the Jordan river. according to the local press which

rated by the Ministry of Edu-

AMMAN (J.T.) - A statistical ools, six commercial schools, nine

by the Ministry of Education. published the figures Saturday.

The report said that Jordan has 1.115 elementary schools, 1.004 preparatory schools, and 365 secondary schools. It also has seven industrial and vocational schools of which six are owned and ope-

prehensive schools.

Also, according to the report. the country has 20 centres for tea-ching women handicrafts, of which 18 are operated by the Ministry of Education and 32 community colleges of which 18 are operated by the ministry.

Three of the universities are located on the East Bank while the rest are on the West Bank, hut these universities can only absorb 25 per cent of Jordanian school students while the rest are forced to seek higher education abroad,

Khammash's gay watercolours capture beauty of landscape



A pointing by 23 year-old Jordanian artist Ammar Khammash who is with the loss and working in the de FCall

By Salameh Nehmat Special to the Jordan Times

SALT - One of the best young artists in Jordan, 23-year-old Ammar Khammash has in many of his paintings captured the beauty of the Jordanian countryside. especially that of his beloved city. It started when he first visited

the cities of Ajloun and Anjara and got interested in Kufranjeh in particular - all three places are abour 60 kilometres nonh of Amman-and was inspired to start painting the wide landscapes with his transparent water-colours and very gay and balanced oil colours. Ammar is currently a student of

architecture at the University of Lafayette, Louisiana in the U.S.. but he is currently putting his summer recess to good use. Before be must return to the campus in August. He hopes to be back at Christmas, for he is happy living and painting in Salt. where he is resident alone in a large house overlooking the magnificent old

"When I lirst went to Kufranjeh. I observed everything with the eye of a foreigner, for 1 had been living in Amman where Western culture affected my behaviour," Ammar said. It also influenced my way of seeing things. So, when I was admiring the landscape. I felt I had an open mind to absorb all visual impressions in front of me." he added.

"I feel unique in seeing things in a different way from most people." Ammar said. "Earlier in school. I rejected the common int-



Ammar Khammash

erests which students of my age shared. like sports cars or the latest fashions". These are sup-

erficial, he thinks. "I have my own very different path to follow--it is the search for beauty through simplicity and common sense. I believe that everybody has a sense of beauty." he continued. "But the problem is that many people have a distorted sense of beauty."

Take for example that monument they built on the Ministry of Interior Circle here in Amman. viany people think it's beautiful and indeed they ask: Why put il there if it isn't beautiful?

"So eventually most people -convince themselves that this monument is beautiful, when it's actually not. That's how people get a distorted sense of beauty." Talking about his interest in

ause of Salt's uniqueness, which he feels envelopes and contains him in a way no other place can. that he chose to work there.

Salt, the artist said that it was bec-

a permanent architectural exhibit. The old houses there show you the importance of the orientation of their designs according to the sunlight, wind, and other elements of nature. And you always find these old houses looking at you and smi-

The sualight comes in through a window of his room and makes a silhouette of golden yellow shades on the artist's paintings. The room is painted a light beige, and everything in the room smacks of Salt. Looking out of the window. Ammar considered some techuicalities.

"In Amman you always find that houses have their main entrance facing the street. In Salt. all the houses are facing one direction-the valley between the two mountains. Painting the houses in Salt, which are built in layers on top of each other, is quite different from painting the houses in Amman, which are built hehind each other."

"So the structure of Salt has very much helped me in my painting." Ammar continued. "For example. I would very simply cut a square in the mass of houses on top of each other, and paint it withoul needing to have a three dim- 'art. ensional effect. I have tried also to experiment with other styles, but it's hard to do that because you just can't abstract the arches and wooden windows of the old houses. That's why I consider my paintings of Salt as documents of ill-

ustrative art more than fine art." He sees the place as both of int-"Salt is like a gallery for are- erest to the architect and painter"

hitecture," said Ammar. "It's like . Illustrative or not, the paintings are remarkable. But then he returned to the more serious theme of art appreciation in Jordan. Ammar said he thought that there is currently a problem of taste in Jordan. "especially in our exhihitions." The majority of Jordanians in or out of the art circuit don't know what is good and what isn't." he claimed.

But there is only one way to improve this lack of taste." he maintains "and of course, it can't be done overnight. It can only be accomplished by exposing people to what is truly good, to what is truly noble; to what really deserves to be exhibited.

But who, you will ask, will take on this unenviable job?

There are no hard and fast rules," he said. "I think we should leave people to decide for themselves and to achieve that, we should start with children at school, by changing the system of art education."

According to Ammar, the system at present consists of telling children what to do and what to paint,"That is wrong." he said. because it makes the child feel that we are force-feeding him; eventually that will make him hate

"But if we leave the child to do what he enjoys doing, we will come out with a generation of art lovers who will decide for themselves what is and what isn't good art. That's why we have to emphasise the importance of having intelligent art teachers in our 'schools and to treat art more serlously than we do now."

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fire hazards in countryside

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AMMAN (J.T.) — The Civil Defence Department Saturday urged fires to cook their food in forests everyone visiting forests and rural and other areas grown with trees

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Madaba to develop services

MADABA (Petra) — Madaba Municipality is at present carrying out a project to develop social services in parts of the Madaba district in cooperation with the Queen Alia Jordan Welfare Fund (OAJWF), according to Madaba Mayor Ahmad Al Azaydeh. He said that a major social ser-

vices centre is being built in the town of Madaba and three others are being established in Hisban. Ma'in and Malih. The project aims to promote health, educational. cultural, social and nutritional services especially for children, It the opportunity to acquire training in handicrafts in order to improve the living standard of their families, the mayor said.

The project entails the construction of a kindergarten for 80 children, a children's club and library and a vocational training centre for girls where they can learn dress making, weaving and other useful work. The centres will also organise meetings, seminars and lectures and will put on film shows tackling cultural, health and other related issues.

A special municipal committee is supervising the implementation is also hoped to offer local women of the project, the mayor concluded by saying.



Ahmad Al Azaydeh

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The deep quagmire

NEVER a still moment in the Arab World: everything goes from bad to worse, all the time. To be an Arab nowadays is a hig liability; to be their friend, you need the patience of Job.

We Arabs say the enemy is Israel and the imperialists, and end up fighting only among ourselves. We blame the colonialists for our underdevelopment, not one wants to admit that backwardness has become a necessary state of mind for us. We imagine Martian forces behind our disunity and aimlessness, and forget to think of our own selfishness and ignorance.

Politics for the Arabs means no less than power: you either have it or it subdues you. Authority is what everybody will have or listen to. There is no sharing and caring in the Arab World today, for these are things of the past. Intellectuality is sectarianism, and only eccentrics think scientifically.

Arab governments and regime are God-sent; their countrymen are people very lucky just to be alive. Interaction between the two groups is necessary only when the subjects bave tood their heads and hail the chief. If anything goes wrong, all the regimes have to do is call! another Arab summit and the whole world will be at their feet in no time at all, these regimes reason.

The deeper you look into the Arab state of affairs, the deeper the quagmire. Assad of Syria wants it all, let him have it. Oadhafi wants Chad as well, let him have both. As far as most of us, Arab people, are now concerned! Sergeant Samuel Doe of Liberia can come and claim us. With our helplessness, we would be his, or anybody's, for the taking.

And there is not a glimpse of light at the end of the tunnel, either. We have gotten so much used to living with aimlessness, it seems, that we have come to care very little about the future.

It is indeed a bleak picture of the Arab World and of being an Arab that we are drawing here. But is there a more painful sight than another Palestinian exodus, this time from the "throbhing heart of Arabism," to provoke delirious imagination?

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Conspiracy must be stopped

SYRIA'S EXPULSION of PLO leader Yasser Arafat and the banning of his deputy Khalil Al Wazir from entering Syria indicate that the Palestinian fighters are facing a very serious situation. The Syrian action prompts us to wonder what the future hides for the Palestinian fighters in the Lebanese Bekaa Valley and their leadership. The man in the street is indeed puzzled by all these developments because they. have no justification whatsoever. It is unbelievable that these events are taking place wheo the Palestinians are standing in the Bekaa Valley face to face with the Israeli enemy, and when the Israelis are longing to see the PLO completely obliterated from the face of earth. We also wonder whether these developments were perpetrated by forces hostile to the PLO.

One can imagine the American administration rejoicing over these recent developments since its stand vis-a-vis the PLO is well known to all. The blows directed against the PLO suggest that there is a conspiracy that is being directed against both its leadership and the whote Palestinian people. This necessitates that the Arabs rally round to about it. We cannot allow the PLO to be deprived of its leadership and we cannot go down in history as the people who stoodby while this interference took place.

Al Dustour: Movement will live on

THE RULERS in Damascus and Tripoli are wrong if they believe that the Palestinian revolution is a single man who can be substituted by another. The revolution and the PLO led by Yasser Arafat result from the long sufferings of the Palestinian peoples, which the leaders of Syria and Libya cannot remove by a mere decision which Arafat has described as being similar to Israel's decision to evict him from Beirut. The Israeli decision was justified in their owo minds because the Israelis are the enemies, but the Syrian decision is less straightforward.

Abu Ammar is not a mere human heing but a symbol of a nation, a revolution and an organisation that had led the Palestinian people's struggle for 19 years. Syria's action at this particular moment prompts one to ask many questions and arouses great dismay and astonishment. This action is tantamount to Israel's aggression against the Palestinian people. We are sure that the Palestinian people and the other Arab peoples will foil all Syrian and Libyan plots against the PLO and its legitimate leadership.

Sawt Al Shaab: Time for wider dialogue

AT A TIME when the Israelis are intent on swallowing up a Palestinian land and Judaising it, we find differences widening among the PLO's various groups. Despite the fact that a number of Arab states have made moves to end these differences we still want to see some action taking place from within the PLO's movement themacives to end the conflict.

It is true that some meetings were held in Amman and Damascus by certain Palestinian leaders, yet we want to see these meetings widening to include representatives of Palestinians scattered all over the Arab World. This is very important because it is their national duty to meet together and shoulder their own responsibilities.

VIEW FROM AMERICA

Mideast on the path of prosperity despite crisis

SAN FRANCISCO - In my last commentary. I wrote on how Israel has become the long-range loser in the present diplomatic game in the Middle East. I meant that from the vantage point of someone living far away from Amman in San Francisco, yet observing the American political scene regarding the Middle East. True. Congress still insists on: granting Israel even more: money than the Reagan Administration wants to give. But that should not fool people in other countries. When Americans get tired of a partner. tbey often try to pay him off, sweetening the cooling of the

relationship with money. But for the Middle East there are long-term questions that go way beyond Israel. One of the key question surely is whether the Middle East will become a region of major eco-

nomic growth as has happened in East Asia recently or longer ago in Western Europe and is happening in Latin America. despite the terrible economic crisis that extends over much of that continent.

But even more important is whether the Middle East will once again become a center of world civilisation and culture as it was for so long during its history. In fact, except for China. no region of the world has for so long been a center of continuous civilisation like the Middle East. And that means. in essence, the Islamic world as constituted by Arab and Persian-speaking people.

There was only one extended break in this long and glorious history. It began sometime in the 1300's of the Christian era and lasted down to the beginning of the present

century. Before that prosperity and civilisation survived all kinds of political changes. Foreign as well as native rulers came and went, but the mighty spirit of the region. emanating from Egypt, ancient Syria, and the land at the mouth of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers continued on. In fact, wealth and culture, especially learning, went hand in hand. Yet both vanished, and historians of East and West,

It has been common among historians to regard the barbaric destruction of Baghdad by the Mongols in 1259 as the turning point in the history of the great Islamic world of the time. After that, all became desolation, as in Baghdad itself. True, the Mongols ended the Caliphate, but the state ... government ... was never the key element in the great pro-

have tried to understand wby.

sperity and civilisation of the Islamic world. It was the umma or community which was the basis of both.

The fact is that prosperity and learning continued in force for about a century after the destruction of Baghdad was gone, but there were other great cities. And, indeed, Tebriz in Azerbaijan emerged as a sort of substitute for Baghdad. Cairo flourished, and so did Damascus. Significantly, the greatest traveller of Islamic history lived and journeyed during the second and third quarters of the 14th century. Ibn Batuta. He wrote about his journeys below the Sahara in West Africa and down the East African coast. He saw the long summers in Bolghar, a city then some 800 kilometres east of Moscow. He visited China, and on the way saw the Indies. He died around 1379, having visited what was then the lands that comprised the global economy of the times.

Ibn Batuta was the greatest but also the last of the great Islamic traveller. Afterwards came the turn of the Europeans. The Islamic world, the Arab and Persian world, went into a period of decline. Ibn Khaldun who lived when Ibn Batuta was already an old man regarded medeniyat as one of the supreme attainments of burnan creation. It meant both civilisation and prosperity, and as for the ancient Greek world. it came from cities. Ibn Batuta travelled from city to city throughout the vast expanse of his journeys. It was those cities which shrank and decayed thrjoughout the Islamic world.

Cities are growing throughout the world. Some are becoming vast agglomerations of prosperny and poverty at the same time, like Mexico City, The United Nations is worned that these new cities will cause monuncutal environmental problems like air pollution and lack of water. In the Middle East, Cairo is an example. Yet, cities have been the stepping stones to Western Europe's prosperity. And they are also the basis for the stunning economic growth of the Far East.

Chies are developing rapidly in the Middle East. They are bringing one aspect of medenivat: Prosperity. If the second element also comes -- leaming, culture, and especially the spiritual life that religion can bring - that could mean a resumption of the 5.000 year history of prosperity and civilisation so characteristic of the lands of the Middle East.

More nuclear-free zones sought despite NATO preparations

By John Rogers

LONDON - While NATO prepares to base new American nuclear missiles in Europe, proposals for creation of nuclear-free zones are mushrooming,

Leaders of several mediumsized powers, from Sweden to Australia, are hoping that agreements to ban nuclear weapons from well-defined regions would minimise chances of nuclear war.

Atomic weapons would be banned from Central Europe, Scandinavia, the Baltic Sea, the Balkans and the South-West Pacific. under proposals made or revived n recent months.

Latin America has already been declared a nuclear-free zone hy most countries on the contineot under the path-breaking 1967 Treaty of Tlatelolco, which hans the acquisition, stockpiling, use,

weapons.

zone in Europe, a potential flashpoint for East-West conflict. argue that it would promote detente and mutual confidence and reduce the risk of nuclear weapons being used early in a war.

Opponents of the idea, including most NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organisation) govemments, say any sense of security it created would be illusory because it would not stop outside powers firing missiles into or across, Central Europe during a war.

The simple truth is that nuclear-free zones do not give the slightest protection from the use of nuclear arms," West German Defence Minister Manfred Woe-

The Soviet Unioo backs plans for nuclear-free zones in Europe. But the United States, while supporting the Latin American zone

testing and deployment of nuclear and not opposing the principle of declaring regions free of nuclear Proponents of a nuclear-free .arms, feels the proposals for Europe are unhelpful while it is trying to negotiate nuclear arms reductions with Moscow in Genevatalks, U.S. officials say.

Schemes on the drawing board: -- A Nordic nuclear-free zone

including Sweden, Finland, Denmark and Norway. The idea was first proposed 20 years ago by neutral Finland and is backed by Sweden. But Denmark and Norway, both members of NATO, say such a zone could only

be part of a hroader East-West

agreement. In a variant on a Nordic zone, the Soviet Union offered this month to discuss turning the Baltic Sea into a zone free of nuclear weapons if the Scandinavian countries barred atomic arms from

their territories. Soviet leader Yuri Andropov said the Kremlin was ready to study measures concerning its own heavily defended northern territories adjoining Norway and Finland, which it bas so far refused to pledge to keep free of nuclear weapons.

President Reagan rejected the Soviet proposal and urged Moscow to concentrate on the Geneva arms reduction talks "instead of

making meaningless gestures". Swedish Premier Olof Palme said the Soviet idea was a positive contribution to a nuclear-free Nordic region but needed clarification.

-- Greece's Socialist Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou, a maverick in the Western alliance, has proposed talks on a nuclear-free. zone in the Balkans, to cover NATO members Greece and Turkey, Warsaw Pact allies Bulgaria and Romania, non-aligned ugoslavia and isolationist Alb-

garia have agreed to take part in talks. Yugoslavia has not yet replied and Albania has turned down the proposal. Diplomats expect Turkey to he hostile to it.

Greece, which is discussing the future of American bases with Washington, says the U.S. stocks tactical nuclear weapons on its soil.

-- Sweden and the Soviet Union have made separate proposals for a nuclear-free zone in Central Europe, along the dividing line between NATO and Warsaw Pact countries.

Palme has proposed a 300 kilometre-wide zone free of battlefield nuclear weapons -short-range missiles and nucleartipped shells -- running along both sides of West Germany's frontier with East Germany and Czechoslovakia.

The Swedish premier, whose armament and security originated the idea last year, says NATO reawhile most Warsaw Pact replies have been positive.

proposal did not go far enough weapons, more than a quarter of and last January proposed a zone Britain's 520 local authorities and free of battlefield nuclear weapons 500 or 600 kilometres wide. lared themselves nuclear-free This would include almost the zones. Governments say these whole of East and West Germany. proclamations have no legal force.

Greece says Romania and Bul- 1 -- Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke, angry at French atomic tests, wants a nuclear-free zone created in the South West Pacific, with testing and storage of nuclear weapons banned.

But he says the idea is not intended to preclude the passage of nuclear-powered and armed sea vessels or air transit in the region a limitation which a U.S. official said might make the scheme acceptable to Washington.

Peace zones have been advocated in other areas, notably the Indian Ocean and South East Asia, but have not prevented big

power military activities. The Latin American nuclearfree zone is weakened because key regional powers -- Argentina. Brazil. Chile and Cuba -- are not bound by the Tiatelolco Treaty.

On a smaller scale, the idea of nuclear-free zones has spread in towns and rural communities in independent commission on dis- European countries where NATO plans to base U.S. croise and Persbing-2 missiles from Decctions have mostly been critical ember if the U.S.-Soviet talks in Gene va fail.

In votes intended mainly to The Kremlin said Sweden's underscore opposition to nuclear

LETTERS

More on school fees

I am writing in reply to Ms. Randa Habib's article headlined "Price for Education" (Jordan Times, June 16-17) and Mrs. Ibtissam Kaddour's Letter to the Editor headlined "Amount to Talk About?" (Jordan Times, June 22).

As a member of the administration of the school under discussion, I would like to clarify the following points:-

1. The tuition fees for the first elementary, and not for the "first preparatory" as Ms. Habib put it, were about JD 450, for the academic year 82/83. Before the new school fees were announced, the school's secretariat informed parents of applicants to class one, for example, that there would probably be an increase on the JD 450, and that they would be informed of this increase in due time. Accordingly, parents whose children were accepted in the school were notified and informed of the new tuition fees. Therefore, it was not "in two weeks time and before the beginning of the scholastic year" that the school increased its fees.

2. The registration fee of JD 50 (or JD 25 paid before the new fees were announced) deductable from the annual tuition fees. 3. Mrs. Kaddour's statement that a child of six has to pay JD 1.100 is misleading because the actual tuition fee for classes 1.2

and 3 for the academic year 83/84 is JD 550. The JD 500 deposit fee is not for nine months but 12 years. As you may know, our school is an international school which caters for studenis from other countries as well as from Jordan. I believe that a school like this is thus entitled to safeguarding its interests. Let me give you an example. Last year, a number of students from different counuries, particularly Lebanon, were accepted in the school. A lot of others were kept on the waiting list because it is school policy to accept no more than 20 students per class. Naturally, the number of teachers appointed was based on the number of students registered. However, in September, just as the academic year was about to start (and in a number of cases after it had started) a number of those students accepted left either for Lebanon or elsewhere, the majority without so much as a notification. Of course, the only thing they had paid was a meagre sum of JD 50. The result: A number of places were left in several classes and it. was too late to fill these. Is it too much to ask for a refundable. deposit of JD 500 to ensure that our students notify us of their intention to leave the school at least 4 months in advance?

4. Mrs. Kaddour also made a gross exaggeration when discussing the school uniform. A school uniform made up of the largest sized blazer, summer and winter trousers, a shirt, one long-sleeved jumper and one sleeveless will cost JD 50 (the same: uniform for a first - elementary student costs no more than JD 36). Surely, Mrs. Kaddour, an extra JD 100 or more for a uniform 'could mean a lot of money".

5. Parents who, like Ms. Habib and Mrs. Kaddour, "are not putting in doubt the high educational level of the school" and who cannot afford the fees can apply for a scholarship. Eighteen of our students were on partial scholarships during the past academic year, and we do have a full scholarship programme for students in classes 7 and above. Furthermore, those parents who cannot pay all the fees in September can divide them in instalments, Several of our parents have requested this and their requests have been

It would be greatly appreciated if people like Ms. Habib and Mrs. Kaddour would be sure of their facts before having them

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Missile base not a major election issue in Italy

By Tony Austin Reuter

COMISO. Sicily - Amid the remote sun-scorched vineyards and bare hills of southeast Sicily. work goes on without interruption on a site being prepared to house

American nuclear missiles.
Partly because of the remoteness of the Comiso site. the nuclear dehate which featured strongly in British and West German campaigns this year shows little sign of becoming a major issue in the Italian general election on

June 26 and 27 Most national and local candidates here bave deliberately shied away from a subject on

which they bave no ready answer. The outgoing coalition parties favour deployment of the U.S. cruise missiles due to be sited at Comiso as part of the NATO dec-

ision to modernise its defences. But they prefer not to proclaim it because they know the population is uneasy about the possibility of nuclear attack against Sicily, according to Comiso's Communist ex-mayor Giacomo

The Italian Communist Party, the largest in the West, says it opposes the installation of missiles in Comiso and wants to suspend. work pending a through review of

East-West arms control talks. But parade of peace demonstrators. it is also committed to keeping ltaly within NATO.

The Communists have had to tone down their opposition in. order to take account of the reality of unemployment in Comiso," a local Socialist Party official said.

More than 1,000 men out of a total population of 27,000 are unemployed and politician who spoke out against such a huge employment prospect would risk losing votes, he added. The first phase of conversion

work, now nearing completion, was worth 37 billion lire (\$24 million) and resulted in the employment of 400 local people by the north Italian main contractor. A second phase starting on July

I will award contracts worth about; 40 hillion lire (\$26 million) and NATO has agreed that only Sicilian firms can tender this time. During a recent evening of ele-

ctioneering in Comiso's stylish main square, candidates listed their views on Christianity, the mafia and local taxes. Nobody mentioned missiles.

But ever since the Italian government chose Comiso following the 1979 NATO decision to modemise its defences pending arms control talks with the Warsaw Pact, the town has seen a constant

For the second consecutive year protest camps are being organised on plots near the perimeter of the Magliocco Aerodrome and there are anti-U.S. slogans on a number

Last May the first contingent of about 200 U.S. airmen and technicians arrived spending lavishly and delighting the town's youth by lifting small Italian cars with their bare hands. The economic benefits of the

of buildings.

U.S. presence are already evident but the people of Comiso fiercely resent suggestions in the mainland press that they have sold their principles for a fistful of dollars. These people are not equipped to deal with the conflict." Mon-

signor Giovanni Battaglia of Com-

iso's Holy Annunciation Church said. "They feel the debate should be conducted not here but in Geneva. Washington and Moscow." His view was reflected in a statement by Bishop Angelo Rizzo of Ragusa Diocese who said it was an 'act of violence, a serious injustice," to place the whole pro-.

blem of world peace on the shoulders of Comiso. Although the hishop's statested by left-wing Catholics in Sicily, political analysts said the

holic leaders was another reason why Comiso had remained in the shadow of the election campaign.

non-involvement by Italian Cat-

The Italian Catholic Bishops's Conference had evidently taken its cue from Pope John Paul, who resisted appeals by anti-nuclear campaigners to pronounce on the evils of nuclear war when he visited Sicily last November.

ntore Fanfani has said Italy would abide by the NATO policy of deploying the missiles unless there was a breakthrough in arms control talks in Geneva. Socialist Party Leader Bettino

Outgoing Prime Minister Ami-

Craxi, a determined contender for the post of next prime minister, agrees there is no reason to change the decision while continuing to negotiate. Socialist Defence Minister

Lelio Logario denied suggestions that. considering Comiso was so far distant from the Soviet Union, the missiles were primarily intended against Libya.

But Cagnes, chairman of one of the peace committees in Comiso, said: "The fascists who built Magliocco called it a forward sentinel in the Mediterranean. Now it is to tement was immediately con- become a bastion against the peoples of Africa and the Middle E-



Sanaa's antique culture continues to survive

By Peter Boxhall

Sanaa be it must, however long the journey. Though the hardy cainel droop, leg-worn on the way. --Tradinonal, cited by al Hamdani.

To compile a comprehensive survev of a complex bistorical city such as Sanaa, considered by some to be the oldest inhabited city in the world, is an enormous undenaking.

Now. however, after years of research carried out by an expert team headed by R.B. Serjeant. until recently professor of Arabic at the University of Cambridge. and Ronald Lewcock, a lecturer at Cambridge, and with the assistance of Jan Acres. Robert Wilson. Paolo Costa. David King. Isma'il al Akwa. A:F.L. Beeston. Rex Smith. R.L. Bidwell. Husayan al 'Amri Walter Dostal Nicholas Lowick, A. Sbivtiel, Wilfred Lockwood. Marthan Mundy. Ahmad Qaryab, and Annika Borstein, the task is completed. The

long awaited study. 630 pages in whom I helped to educate. length, has recently been published by The World of Islam Festival Trust in a limited edition of 2.000 copies.

It is a beautiful, fascinating and evocative book, complemented with colour plates, black and white photographs, sketches and maps, I ought, however, immediately to draw attention to my inadequacy in attempting the invidious task of reviewing such a labour of love: indeed, there are few people, from the Western world at least, who are qualified to do so.

Additionally I have, as it were, a vested interest: Professor Serjeant has accompanied some of my expeditions in the Arab World, and, while working on the survey, stayed with the Save the Chidren Fund in Rawdah, when I was their director there: I have also known personally many of the other talented Arabists writing chapters in the book, including Ahmad Qaryah. co-author of 'San'a Food and Cookery', an orphan Yemeni boy.

Yet anyone who has an interest

in Arabia. its history and its development, should want to consult. read, or if he can afford £95, to purchase the book. Why? Because, as Professor Serjeant says in his introduction:

Traditional Sanaa is the theme of this volume - that is Sanaa city of the Islamic era np to the officers' revolution of 26 September 1962 and its richly antique culture which continues to survive, despite much political change, since that

Rarher than try to summarise the study's all-encompassing, diversity of subjects let me, because it will serve to describe the full scope of the book's coverage. list the separate contents, each of which is compiled by an appropriate expert or experis: A Geographical Skeich (of Sanaa): The 'Ghayls' (water courses) of Sanaa; Calendars. The Time of Day and Mathematical Astronomy: Pre-Islamic Sanaa: Sanaa the Pro-

tected; the Church (al Qalis) of Sanaa and Ghumdan Castle; The Early and Medieval History of Sanaa; the Post-Medieval and Modern History of Sanaa; Western Accounts of Sanaa 1510 -1962: The Urban Development of Sanaa; Administrative Organisation; The Market Business Life. Occupations, the Legality and Sale of Stimulants; the State of Sanaa; Analysis of the Sanaa Market Today; The Buildings of the Suq'Market; The Mint of Sanaa; a Historical Outline: The Mosques of Sanaa; The Architectural History and Description of Sanaa Mosques: The Great Mosque. The Smaller Mosques of Sanaa; The Jews of Sanaa; The Hindu Baniyan Merchants and

Traders; The Houses of Sanaa;

The Public Bath: Children's

Games in Sanaa; The Public Bath;

Children's Games in Sanaa; Sanaa

Dress: Sanaa Food and Cookery

and Envoi: Sanaa As It Was. The maps include town plans by Von Wissman and Manzoni, a map of the 'ghayls' of Sanaa, a map of the myriad covered streets of the sugs, and a map of Sanaa as it is tody. But even aside from the maps, and the descriptive text. there is a profusion of interesting

book: a glossary of Arabic words and expressions: bibliographical references to Sanaa; a place name and geographical index; a general index; and, not least in interest, an index of persons, families, tribes races, nationalities, titles and supematural beings (i.e. a Who's Who of Sanaal.

Having myself spent three years at Rawdah, just north of Sanaa. working for Yemeni infants, it is perhaps understandable that I should have turned first to the chapter entitled 'Children's Game in Sanaa.' which is written by Husayn al 'Amri. Having been with them so much, and having travelled so far afield in the republic. I could not, at any time, remember ever having seen a toy shop, or even so much as a toy (as we in the Western world know them). The children had, of course, played games amongst themselves: yet. until reading this chapter. I had not really understood what they were. The Button Game, the Date Stone House Game, the Apricol Stone Game, the Porcupine Game, the Camel Game; the Porcupine Game, the Camel Game: if you or your children, want to

know how to play them, you must

descriptions. Then, being in Sanaa in the

early 1970s. I was particularly drawn to the bistorical section of the book, which describes the changing face of the ancient city. pre-and post-Imamate: "In the early days of the Republic". Serjeant relates. "Sanaa suffered most from the planning that decreed the deliberate demolition of the walls and gates linking Bustan al Sultan with the Bir Al Azah suburb, and of two mosques there. A street was driven between the. two districts. flanked by ugly, illconstructed edifices mostly concrete. The destruction of Bab al Shu'ub and Bab al Salam between 1962-67, and the later, quite unnecessary clearing away of the old-Turkish adobe garrison tower at Bab al Balaqah, on the grounds that these gates impeded motor traffic, have lost the city some sal-. ient features of its outline. Worse than anything was the bull-dozing of the historic Khanadiq, the two fortified walts carried on arches across Sa'ilah flood-course, so that a motor road could be run down it. Historians must deplore the demolition of old houses in Qa'al Yahud, re-named Qa'al

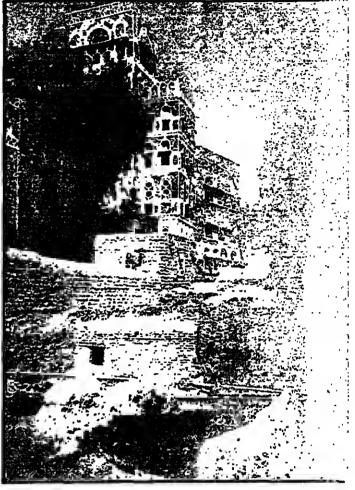
details in the appendices of the read Husayn al 'Amri's detailed 'Ulufi. notably Habshush's house with its many interesting fea-

A law requiring new building to conform to traditional styles was in fact promulgated in 1974, but in many cases this apparently meant nothing more than the construction of a traditional exterior concealing a modern-type int-

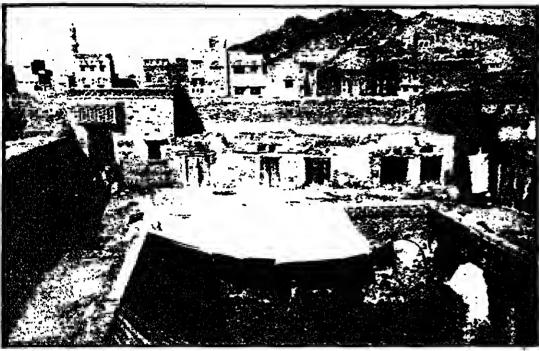
Certainly, as has already happened in Fez and in the other imperial cities of Morocco, there appcars to be a real, continuing danger that much, too much, of the

time-worn face of Sanaa wili continue to be destroyed. Yet, perhaps before it is too late. Sanae, now included on the World Heritage List, will be preserved by the combined efforts of UNESCO. the Centre of Yemeni Studies, and other such agencies. If it is not to be, at least this survey of Sanaa will serve as a comprehensive and enduring record of a line Arabian

-- Arab News



The Samsarah Al Mizan. It was sometimes called Samsarah Al Qishr (the Coffee-Husk Market).



Bustan Al Jami Al Kabir showing the 'Mirna''.

Fluoride: Too much of a good thing?

The wall of the old city of Sansa, crossing the Sa'ilah (flood course).

By Bryan Pearson

NAIROBI -- Officially, it is a straightforward scientific problem: how much fluoride is too much?

But the fluoride toothpaste debate which has raged for almost a year in Kenya has raised a more complex and sensitive issue. To what extent do multinational companies influence local experts in the Third World, even against the best interests of the local peo-

In Kenya, both sides of the debate agree that fluoride levels of about one part per million (ppm) in drinking water can help prevent worh decay. But in this country, and many others along the Rift Valley from Saudi Arabia to Malawi, the fluoride-rich volcanic ash in the soil can naturally fluoridate water to concentrations of up to

45 ppm. Such high levels can cause den-tal fluorosis; the tell-rale, brownstained teeth of this condition. cured only by acid etching or capping, are seen throughout the country. Over long periods the

spine may become calcified. crippling the victim. Little research has been done on the condition in the Third World, but it also appears in northern India and in Thailand. according to Dr. Aubrey Sheiham of the London Hospital Medical College Dental School.

Last year Firoze Manji. a young dental health lecturer at Nairobi University, wrote letters to the newspapers suggesting that with per cent of the population suffering some form of fluorosis, it was ridiculous that virtually all the toothpaste sold in Kenya contained added fluoride. (No fluoride is added to drinking water

artificially in Kenya). One of the biggest distributors of fluoride tootbpaste in the country is Colgate-Palmolive (East Africal Ltd. a subsidiary of the U.S.-based multinational. This company sponsors dinners, events and publications for the Kenyan Denial Association [KDA], and the KDA lends its emblem to app-

rove fluoride usage in toothpaste. Company General Manager Carl Marx describes his firm's relationship with the KDA as "pur-

ely professional", adding that 'everyone does it".

When Manji's letters were published, he was summoned to the KDA for a disciplinary hearing. As he walked into the building, he met Mr. Marx coming out, he said later. As Manji did not practice dentistry, he was not a full KDA member, so the Association could not discipline him. Meanwhile, his letters sparked off editorials. artfound itself weathering a storm.

In August last year. Colgate General Manager Nuri Murad took Manii to lunch at an expensive restaurant and offered to finance his research. donate a library to the university and buy a clinic, Manif told reporters. Assuming an attempt to buy his silence. Manji declined the offers.

The Kenyan Medical Association devoted almost an entire issue of its journal "Medicus" to endorsing the fight against fluoride toothpaste. In October. which is KDA national dental action month (sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive). the KDA

newsletter (sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive) described the whole debate as absurd.

KDA Chairman George Owino went on television with foreign experts, and described Manji as an eccentric ... who calls himself a public dentist." Owino also attacked Manji's family, which markets sweetened cereal, saying it caused dental decay in Kenya.

In November, market forces multinationals -- Boots and Beechams -- launched non-fluoride toothpastes in Kenya. When the Kenyan Director of Medical Services announced a ban on fluoride toothpaste advertisements, theproduct became hard in sell in this

After declining to talk to the press on recent developments. Marx announced a major dental seminar in Nairobi to put the record straight. Foreign experts were invited, including representatives of Unilever, the world'd biggest producer of fluoride, and of the UN. World Health Organisation. The seminar, recently ended, did what most scientific seminars un:

Recommended more research.

Throughout the debate, the government has maintained a low profile, perhaps in part because it lacks the money for a widespread effort to defluoridate water where levels are too high. It has announced, though, that fluoride should not be encouraged for children's use; it has said nothing about adults.

Besides the question of commercial influence on professional bodies, the debate has also raised the question of how appropriate Western standards are in the Third World. Though it was not mentioned at the recent seminar. research in the Philippines has suggested that in propical climates. where people drink much more water, a lower fluoride level (around ().5ppm) is more appropirate.

"Research conducted in London may have no bearing on Third World conditions", said Dr. Sheiham," What works in London will not necessarily work in Kenya",

- Earthscan feature



"Our fluoride toothpaste will make your teeth strong, and we're working an a drug to turn them



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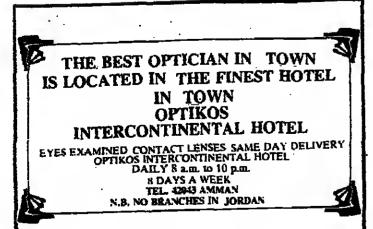
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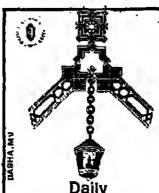
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McEnroe charges through to last 16

LONDON (R) — Second-seeded John McEnroe of the United States treated the centre court crowd to an outstanding performance as the curtain fell on the first week of the 1983 Wimbledon Tennis Championships Saturday.

McEnroe, who won Wimbledon in 1981 but lost in the final last year to Jimmy Connors, handed compatriot Brad Gilbert a tennis lesson in winning 6-2, 6-2, 6-2 for a place in the last 16.

After his seething second round performance, tennis seemed the only thing on McEnroe's mind on a sun-drenched centre court.

Martina Navratilova, seeded to win the women's title. also reached the last 16 playing on the number one court where Chris Evert Lloyd was sensationally beaten by fellow American Kathy Jordan on Friday.

Navratilova, once of Prague now of Dallas, beat Yugoslav Mima Jausovec 6-2. 6-1 in 40 minutes. "Now that Chris is out. everyone believes I have only to go out and play my matches to win Wimbledon again." Navratilova

"But there are still plenty of people out there for me to beat. It is easy to lose in the quarter-finals which I always believe is the toughest round.

It could hardly have been a bet-

PARIS (R) - British Olympic

champion Sebastian Coe was bea-

ten into second place by Spain's

Jose-Luis Gonzales in a lacklustre

1,500 metres at Europe's first

major athletics meeting of the sea-

Coe, running in continental

Europe for the first time this year.

was boxed in during the early sta-

ges and despite leading on the

final lap, he was overtaken by the

The finish was reminiscent of

last year's European Cha-

mpionship 800 metres final in

Athens when Coe was overhauled

by West German Hans-Peter Fer-

34.84 seconds. a personal best.

while Coe came in three paces

behind in 3:35.17. well outside the

world mark of 3:31.36 set by Bri-

tain's Steve Ovett in 1980.

Gonzales clocked three minutes

Spaniard on the final straight.

son here Friday.

ter day for McEnroe. Not only did he win in exemplary style, but he also saw Johan Kriek, regarded as one of the danger men in his half of the draw, removed from the competition by unseeded American Robert Van't Hof.

Van't Hof, a lanky Californian. was far too cool and competent for the fractious Kriek. The South African-born American never seemed to settle into the match and served 25 double faults. Van't Hof took 90 minutes to dispose of the 11th-seeded Kriek 6-3, 7-6,

6-1 in the third round match. The 18-year-old Australian Pat Cash continued his storming progress by routing Ricardo Acuna of Chile 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 and preserving his record of not having dropped a

Third seed Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia also went through to the fourth round, beating Jakub Hlasek, a Swiss-based stateless player. 6-1, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4. Bill Scanlon, 14th-seeded American, eliminated compatriot Tim Gullikson 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

Scanlon now faces McEnroe. who was prepared to give only grudging recognition to his bri-lliant performance. "I did the basic things well." was all he was prepared to concede. .

McEnroe served superbly, conceding only 13 points in 12 service

Third in a field drastically red-

uced by withdrawals was Swi-

tzerland's Pierre Deleze in

Among those who pulled out

were American Sydney Marce, who has committed himself to a

race in Edinburgh on Sunday, and

Kenya's Mike Boit, often a pac-

Moroccan Sayeed Aouita. who

which athletes may receive money

trust fund maintained by the ath-

until his retirement.

Also absent was French-based

emaker for Coe in the past.

first Wimbledon.

Gilbert started well enough, the draw. holding serve in the opening game to 30, but in the next five games he won only four points as McEnroe took an unshakeable hold on the

Gilbert then held serve to love in the seventh game but McEnroe. who unleashed a total of seven aces, comfortably served out the

The second and third sets followed a similar pattern with McEnroe breaking serve twice in each. McEnroe had none of the foot-. faulting trouble which vexed bim so much in the second round. "1 consciously tried not to footfault." he said. "I stepped back a little further than I normally do."

Big American Roscoe Tanner. who has descended to 140th in the world rankings, hammered his way into the last 16 of the Wimbledon by upsetting fifth-seeded Mats Wilander of Sweden 6-7, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4.

Tanner, a Wimbledon finalist in 1979 when be was world number five, revived memories of his former barnstorming days as he pounded 23 service aces past a tormented Wilander, the 1981 French Champion and runner-up

games, and needed just 79 min- Tanner's third round victory utes to dump Gilbert out of his meant Americans filled six of the eight places in the bottom half of

> Mike Leach, a 23-year-old left-hander who played in the qualifying competition, came through a fiercely competitive third round match against Australia's Mark Edmondson 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 4-6,

All this was welcome news for New York's John McEnroe, the second seed, who will face either Leach or another unseeded American. Sandy Mayer, in the quarter-finals, assuming he overcomes 14th-seeded American Bill Scanlon in his next match.

On the same number one court where Lloyd was eliminated by American Kathy Jordan, Navratilova swept aside Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia 6-2, 6-1

But two women's seeds did fall by the wayside. Sylvia Hanika of West Germany, seeded ninth, was beaten 2-6-6-4. 6-3 by Jennifer Mundel of South Africa and 13th-seeded Jo Durie of Britain went out 7-6. 7-5 to West German Eva Pfaff.

Tanner, always a menacing competitor on the first Winbledon grass courts, lost the first set tiebreaker 8-6 to Wilander but then rolled back the years with a classic display of power tennis.

Coe beaten in Paris athletics meeting wind-assisted 9.8 seconds-inside the 9.95 world mark of American Jim Hines but invalid because the

of charge. Coe had nothing to say on the subject but an official indicated negotiations had been conducted through an international management group which handles Coe's affairs.

had not been in contact with the

Paris organisers. As any money

must be paid to the athlete's own

federation, this suggested Coe.

would have been competing free

ran within a second of Ovett's Coe's intention in coming to world mark earlier this month. Paris was to beat the 3:38.0 qua-One official said Aonita had pullifving mark for the 1.500 metres led out in a dispute over money. in the World Championships in The meeting is the first of the Helsinki next August, and he did major European events staged under a new permit system under that easily.

He has already been picked to for competing. It is paid into a represent Britain in the 800 metres and is also aiming for a spot in lete's home national federation the 1,500, his winning distance at the 1980 Moscow Olympics.

There was confusion over Coe's "I'm happy with my time, but appearance Friday. Thursday Bri-In the men's 100 metres Mel not my race. It wasn't on." Coe tish Amateur Athletics Board Secretary Nigel Cooper said Coe

wind behind him was too strong.

Italian Pietro Mennea, world record holder and Olympic Champion, won his 200 metres speciality in 20.43, showing a comeback to the international scene is still realistic for him at 30. His time was nowhere near his world mark of 19.72. but it was enough to prove he is still a force to be considered.

Walter McCoy, third best in the world over 400 metres last year, easily outstripped the opposition to cruise home in 46.00 seconds in the 400 metres.

Another American triumph came in the triple jump, when Mike Conley, the U.S. number one for the World Cha-Lattany of the U.S. was in a class mpionships, scored an impressive of his own, storming bome in a win with 16.48 metres.

Laporte favoured to retain title

SAN JUAN (R) - Hard-hitting Juan Laporte is heavily favoured to retain his World Boxing Couneil featherweight boxing cha-mpionship Saturday night against ninth-ranked Johnny de la Rosa of the Dominican Republic.

Laporte, a local hero who captured the vacant 126-pound title by stopping Columbian Mario Miranda last September in New York, is a 3-1 choice to win the scheduled 12-rounder.

De la Rosa has won 21 straight fights, 17 by knockout but none of these have been against a leading fighter.

He enjoys a four-inch (10 cm) height advantage over the cha-mpion who scored a decision over Reuben Castillo last February in the first defence of the crown that had been vacated by the death of · Salvador Sanchez of Mexico.

Laporte, 21-3 with 13 knockouts, is a strong puncher but a notoriously slow starter.

heating, and private telephone.

Shareef Dancer romps to Irish Derby victory

NEWBRIDGE, Ireland (R) - American-bred colt Shareef Dancer raced clear to win the Irish Derby horserace at the Curragh Saturday leaving the English and French Derby winners trailing in

Jockey wally Swinburn pushed the Michael Stoute-trained colt, who cost owner Maktoum Al Maktoum \$3.3 million as a yearling, clear of the pack with more than a furlong to run to land the lrish classic at his first attempt.

Second was French Derby winner and favourite Caerleon, ridden by Pat Eddery and trained by Vincent O'Brien with Lester Piggott's mount Teenoso, winner of the English equivalent earlier this month, running in third.

Shareef Dancer, by American triple crown winner Northern Dancer, began the race an. 8-1

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shot after landing the King Edw- neas. But be faded just after the

Swinburn kept him tracking the up. leaders for most of the race before sprinting to the front and opening a decisive gap. Caerleon and Teenoso gave chase, but on the Curragh's fast going were never going to overturn the deficit.

Shareef Dancer finished three lengths clear with two lengths separating the Robert Sangster owned Caerleon and Teenoso, owned by 76-year-old Hong Kong businessman Eric Moller.

Caerleon, who won the French classic so impressively at Chantilly earlier this year, was 5-4 favourite to land the mile-and-a-half race with Teenoso, trained by Geoff Wragg and known to be more at home in beavy going, the 2-1 second favourite.

Another fancied runner, Carlingford Castle ridden by Michael Kinane, led the field through the first mile with Sir Simon in close

Wassi, John Duniop's hig hope, was also in contention for a second classic win on Irish soil this year having already won the 2,000 gui-

ard VII stakes at Ascot last week. 'mile marker with the pace hotting

As the field entered the home straight Swinburn pounced and romped clear while Piggott and Eddery watched each other.

Before they could coax a reaction from their mounts Swinburn had taken Shareef Dancer away and clear for the £133.600 (\$213.800) first prize.

Stoute, who trained the scolen stallion Shergar to victory in the race two years ago, said: "Two Irish sweeps Derby wins with two horses isn't bad at all. Very good ground today suited Shareef Dancer splendidly."

And Swinburn, who missed out on riding Shergar in 1981 and nearly missed Saturday's ride through illness, added: "I felt be went to the front a bit too soon, but 1 kicked on an when I looked back one-and-a-half furlongs out, I knew I had nothing to fear."

Eddery had no excuses for the defeat of Caerleon but champion jockey Piggott admitted: "The ground was too firm for Teenoso."

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Youth Soccer Cup, overwhelming success

MEXICO CITY (R) - Mexico uckily to Brazil, who scored the forgot its economic worries, there was plenty of attacking soccer and everyone seemed to agree that the second World Youth Cup, which ended on Sunday, was an overwhelming success.

Some 1.3 million spectators attended the 32 games over two weeks, an astonishing average of around 40,000 per match which fell just sbort of the senior World Cup in Spain last year. It bodes well for 1986, when Mexico stages tbe next "Mundial."

"The cup has been a tremendous success both in public interest and the quality of the play... and the displays of South Korea, China and Nigeria illustrate the advances made in the developing countries of soccer," FIFA (International Football Federation) Senior Vice-President Harry Cavan told Reu-

FIFA organised the 16-nation finals, which are now a regular, two-yearly event at which some of the best teenage footballers in the world perform.

Brazil beat Argentina 1-0 in Sunday's final, played in front of some 110,000 spectators at the towering Aztec stadinm, venue for the 1970 senior final.

Although the traditional soccer countries came out on top, the cup is essentially geared towards encouraging the spread of the game in third world nations without the pedigrees of teams like England. Brazil or Italy.

"The chance for these youngsters to experience a competition like this gives the traditionally weaker soccer powers the opportunity to build up their strength for the senior toumaments," Cavan said.

South Korea learned quickly enough bow to bandle the big time, reaching the semi-finals before going down somewhat unl-

his Yamaha to victory in the

But his victory was marred by a

horrific crash involving World. Champion Franco Uncini of Italy.

fell from his Suzuki on the second lap of the 16-lap race and as he

crawled towards the edge of the

track was hit by Australian Wayne

Gardner's Honda. He was rushed

Roberts, bidding to land his fourth world title before retiring

from 500cc racing, also set a lap

record on the way to his triumph.

He clocked two minutes 47.47

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Uncini, who won bere last year,

Prix here Saturday.

winning goal with only eight minutes remaining.

The Koreans' non-stop running and precise ball-control won over the Mexican fans, who gave them a standing ovation at the end of

Nigeria, who beat the Soviet Union and came within inches of doing the same to the Netherlands, and China, who thrashed Austria 3-0, were also in the vanguard of the developing nations' assault on the cup.

Many of the games were outstanding advertisements for attacking soccer, particularly the final South Korea against Mexico, Brazil-Czechoslovakia. Uruguay-Poland and the Soviet Union-Netherlands clash.

Brazilian Schemer Geovani Silva emerged as the star of the cup, winning the golden ball trophy for best player and the golden boot for top scorer with six goals.

But there was a host of talent on view and many of the top players--all under 20-are likely to return to grace the senior cup here in 1986.

Among the names to watch for apart from Silva are Paulo Ferreira and Mauricio Vilella, Brazil's quicksilver front-runners. who have inherited the kind of flambovant skills made famous by Pele, Rivelino and Zico.

Ruben Sosa of Uruguay and Argentina's Roberto Zarate must also rank among the top South American stars of the tournament while the performances of winger Mario Been of the Netherlands and South Korean striker Shin Yon Ho are likely to stay in the memories of the local fans.

The problems of altitude--the Toluca venue was 2,600 metres (8.800 feet) above sealevel-were overcome by most of the teams. But, as in all big events, there were other problems.

as champion Uncini crashes

last year by nearly three

Roberts sets lap record

ASSEN. Netherlands (R) - smash the previous best mark set

At the end of Scotland's victory over Mexico players of both sides had to dodge a hail of bottles and cans as they tried to leave the

The Mexican authorities were warned privately that the stadiums would have to be made safer, the sale of alcohol banned and police control improved for the 1986 cup, FIFA sources said.

Two of the matches--United States versus the Ivory Coast and Argentina versus the Netherlands--ended in badtempered chaos, with the referees losing control and having to send off a total of six players.

"There have been snags, hiccups and problems but nothing that cannot be resolved in the next three years," said Cavan. He blamed some of the on-field mis-

behaviour on youthful frustration. One embarrassing problem over which FIFA had no influence was the host country's conspicuous lack of success on the

As in the 1970 World Cup. Mexico failed to reach the latter stages of the finals and the sports press renewed its calls for a complete overhaul of the game here.

But despite the isolated outbreaks of trouble, most Mexican fans are easy-going fatalists by international standards and the early departure of their team and the live television coverage of every match did not deter them from turning out in huge numbers for even the most unpromising matches,

The finals were estimated to have cost some \$3 million to stage though debt-crippled Mexico did not have to shoulder much of the burden, according to FIFA and Mexican soccer sources.

Most of the money was recouped through ticket sales, television rights and sponsorship.

Mouton leads New Zealand rally

ROTORUA. New Zealand (R) -France's Michele Mouton, driving an Audi Quattro, held a narrow lead over teammate Stig Blomavist of Sweden after the 553-km first leg of the New Zealand motor rally Saturday.

Mouton drove her four-wheel drive Audi into the central north: island city of Rotorua Saturday night 13 seconds ahead of Blomayist after a stage which included 151 km of high speed special stages.

The Frenchwoman and her Italian co-driver. Fabrizia Pons, failcd to finish last year in the New Zealand event after mechanical problems.

World Champion Walter Rohrl of West Germany, who leads this year's series hy two points from Finn Hannu Mikkola, was third in a Lancia, 19 seconds behind Mou-

Mikkola was near the back of the field in another Audi after losing more than 20 minutes through mechanical problems in the first two stages out of Auckland.

Finn Timo Salonen, who won here in 1980, was fourth in a Nissan ahead of the second Lancia. driven by Italian Attilio Bettega and another Nissan driven by

Kenyan Shekhar Mehta. The lead see-sawed between Blomqvist and Rohrl in the early stages, but Mouton went ahead later in the evening.

Blomqvist still does not know whether he is officially in the race. His late entry was accepted by the organisers but the local motorsport association later rejected

The Audi team appealed against the decision and the Swede was allowed to compete pending a

The 1137-km second stage of the rally starts in Rotorua Sunoay morning and finishes at the same place 24 hours later. The final leg ends in Auckland on Tuesday ah-

The event is the seventh round of the drivers' and sixth round of the Manufacturers' World Championships. Lancia lead Audi by six points in the manufacturers'

Dunlop, on a Honda, won the Gross breaks

swimming record

HANOVER, West Germany (R) - Michael Gross broke his own men's European 200 metres butterfly record with one minute 58.37 seconds at the West German Swimming Championships

school student clipped nearly half a second off the 1:58,85 he set during his world title triumph in Ecuador lasi August.

Ken Brown of Scotland, fired a

four-under-par 66 for an eight-

Ironically, he nearly withdrew

from the tournament after ini-

uring his neck in practice.

Dutch 500 cc Motor Cycle Grand seconds. European The win took Roberts to within 15 seconds slower than McElnca's eight points of compatriot Spencer time of 46 minutes 50.56 seconds. The 250cc battle proved a triin the standings. umph for Venezuelans Carlos Roberts, 31, recovered quickly Lavado and Ivan Palazzese, both

after a poor start to grab the lead by the halfway stage and power to victory by 0.19 seconds from Japan's Takasumi Katayama on a Honda. Spencer, also riding a Honda, finished third.

In the Formula One event, Rob McElnea on a Suzuki eclipsed fellow Britons Mick Grant and Joev Dunlop, who came first and second in practice, to win at an average speed of 157.495 kph (98.4

The youthful style with

an eye to the future

American Kenny Roberts piloted by championship leader Freddie season's first Formula One race in a clear second on Saturday, almost

> on Yamahas. Lavado fulfilled the promise of his leading practice times to scorch home first, just ahead of Pal-azzese, and set a lap record in the

Swiss rider Stefan Dorflinger broke his own lap record in the 50cc event, but his Kreidler was beaten into second place over the nine-lap course by Italy's Eugenio
Lazzarini on a Garelli.

hcre Friday. The 19-year-old Frankfurt high

Langer leads Glasgow golf

GLASGOW, Scotland (R) — third round sharing the lead with West German Bernhard Langer Ireland's Christy O'Connor and fired successive birdies on the last four holes on Saturday to take a three stroke lead into Sunday's under-par 202 total. final round of the Glasgow Golf Langer, who began Saturday's

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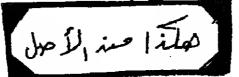
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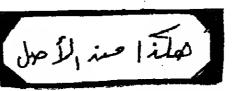
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U.S., British Steel chiefs fail to reach accord

NEW YORK (R) - The chairmen of U.S. Steel and British Steel have failed to resolve differences over a controversial plan to import unfinished steel to the United States, company officials

A spokesman for America's largest steelmaker confirmed that the two chief executives, Mr. David Roderick of the U.S. Steel Corporation and Mr. Ian Mac-Gregor of state-owned British Steel, met in New York Thursday

He said talks on the plan, which has raised protests from workers on both sides of the Atlantic. would continue.

He said Mr. Roderick and Mr. MacGregor would not meet again Friday, hut acgotiations would go on and might involve the two men again in the future.

The plan calls for the shipment of unfinished steel from Britain to U.S. Steel's Fairless Works near Philadelphia, which U.S. Steel says would require too large an investment to modernise for the efficient production of raw steel.

Under the plan, British Steel would invest money in the fairless Works to modernise the finishing facilities there and would then send unfinished steel slabs made at its plant in Ravenscraig. Sco-

NEWS IN BRIEF

Volkswagen denies takeover talks

TROY. Michigan (R) - Volkswagen of America, which made a 5141.2 million loss last year, Friday denied it was negotiating with Chrysler about a possible takeover of Volkswagen's U.S. car and truck assembly operations. The U.S. subsidiary of Volkswagen of West Germany, said in a statement that senior executives of the two companies bad recently discussed possible worldwide business cooperation and the completion of Chrysler's acquisition of Volkswagen's idle car plan at Sterling Heights, Michigan. Volkswagen sales in the U.S. fell by 35 per cent in 1982, But Volkswagen said Friday that Chairman Carl Hahn "has recently reiterated the group's determination to maintain its manufacturing base in the U.S. through its local subsidiary (Vol-

Cuba's biggest oil refinery is ablaze

HAVANA (R) — Fire raged early Saturday at Cuba's biggest oil refinery on the inner shore of Havana Bay. Eye-witnesses said the fire appeared to be out of control in an area where there are dozens of gas and petroleum tanks. There has been no official announcement about the fire, which could be clearly seen from Havana's port area. The government is not expected to give details until the fire is out, unless it continues spreading.

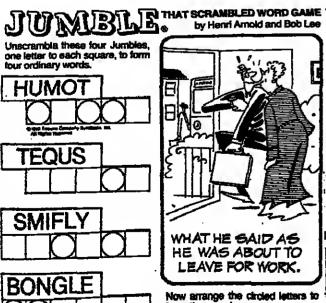
China tops oil industry target

PEKING (R) — China produced 50.12 million tonnes of crude oil by June 23, meeting its half-year total seven days ahead of schedule. New China News Agency said. NCNA quoted the Oil Ministry as saying production was 2.67 per cent up on the January-June 1982 figure. In February a ministry spokesman said that although output at some of the country's main land oilfields had peaked, China should be able to hold production around 100 million tonnes a year (two million barrels a day) up to 1985.

British trade figures plunge again

LONDON (R) - Britain's trade figures plunged deeper into the red Friday and private economists said the trend cast doubt on government hopes for a healthy surplus this year. In visible trade--actual goods bought and sold-Britain spent £552 million (\$855 million) more than it earned last month. The balance of payments, which takes into account invisible trade like tourism and insurance premiums, showed a May deficit of £302 million (\$468 million), the Ministry of Trade reported. Both figures were £192 million (\$298 million) worse than the April results.





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SABIC plans first share offering to public this year

Abdul Aziz Al Zamil said Friday point for European sales.

He told journalists the comlion), would initially offer 15 to 20 East and the rest to Europe.

per cent of its shares to the public. owned by Gulf citizens while retaining a 25 per cent stake itself, he said. But because of SABIC's size this will be achieved through a series of share offerings.

He gave no details of the planned issue terms.

The government set up SABIC in 1976 to spearhead Saudi Araand devleop new industries to reduce its dependence on crude

It has already built petrochemical plants in partnership with foreign firms, and steel and other industrial projects.

Mr. Zamil said SABIC will open two marketing offices in London and Hong Kong by the world recession had driven a lot of end of this year to handle its Eur- inefficient producers out of the opean and Far East sales.

The company, which this year in the petrochemical industry wor-

RIYADH (R) - The state- started shipping methanol and ferowned Saudi Basic Industries tilisers from the Gulf city of Jubail Corporation (SABIC) will make to European and Asian cusits first share offering to the public tomers, has leased three 13,000 in November or December this tonne storage facilities in Roiyear, SABIC Managing Director terdam, its central distribution

Zamil said 80 per cent of the methanol produced by its Saudi pany, which has an authorised cap-ital of 10 billion riyals (\$3.45 bil-ail will go to Japan and the Far

But the proportion of output The government's eventual aim was to have 75 per cent of SABIC other plants come on stream over other plants come on stream over the next tow years.

Zamil said he was optimistic there was great potential for the Saudi Petrochemical industry in Africa and the Arab World, where secondary industries such as plastics could flourish using cheap raw material from Saudi Arabia.

He estimated that when all bia's drive to diversify its economy SABIC's petrochemical projects become fully operational by 1987 its sales will be between \$3.5 and \$5.0 billion a year, depending on market prices.

Saudi Arabia is aiming for a four to five per cent share of the world petrochemicals marker." Mr. Zamil said.

Mr. Zamil said the current market, reducing excess capacity

In Japan, he noted, 10 firms had decided to cut ethylene production capacity by two million tonnes a year while Europe's nine biggest producers were planning to reduce ethylene capacity by three million tonnes.

Describing this as healthy, Mr. Zamil forecast that if current economic activity was sustained. U.S. petrochemical demand would grow three per cent this year and 4.5 per cent in 1984, while European demand would rise by three per cent next year.

Mr. Zamil said SABIC had decided not to seek a replacement for Dow Chemical Company of the U.S. as a partner in its Arabian Petroebemical Compsny (Petrokemya) venture, but had instead signed a technical and management services agreement with Union Carbide Corporation. Dow pulled out of the venture in Dec-

Petrokemya will supply raw materials for its Eastern Petrochemical Company venture. and the time taken to agree terms with a potential replacement for Daw would have delayed the timetable for the project, he said.

Mr. Zamil said that since the for a full foreign partner. All that he added.

was missing was technical expertise, which would now be provided by Union Carbide for a three or four year term.

He said 60 young Saudis had already started training at Union Carbide plants in the United States and 50 more were expected to go in August.

Mr. Zamil said the private secfor would play a bigger role in future SABIC projects.

Three projects had already been identified - an industrial gases plant, and polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and vinyl chloride monomer (VCM) plants. Seventy per cent of their output would go to the regional and local market, so that the role of foreign partners would again be minimal.

Mr. Zamil said he did not think the drop in Saudi Arabia's oil output would pose a problem for the petrochemical industry, which depends on oil-associated gases for fuel requirements.

The main users of these gases were desalination and electricity generating plants, which were aiready changing to fuel oil. reducing the pressure on demand, he noted.

Efforts were also under way to make use of non-associated gas. which will be injected in the gas plant's output would be sold in gathering system, boosting gas Saudi Arabia there was no need supplies by 20 per cent by 1985. FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 1983

YOUR DAILY from the Carroll Righter institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Although a very confused or deceptive influence is in effect early in the day, it is immediately followed by an extremely good aspect which gives you the chance to improva conditions at home.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Don't use wrong methods in trying to gain information in the morning. The evening is fine for attending civic events.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Accomplish what you set out to do. Tunight is fina for enjoying a new outlet in the

company of a loved one. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) A partner gets in your way just when you want to get affairs nicely arranged.

Your creativity is high today. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You are anxious to make some new moves, but a follow worker atands

in your way. Remove him quickly. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) A friend proves very helpful today. A puzzling letter arrives. Handle it wisely. Be more

sure of yourself in family dealings. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Leave the house early to avoid an argument. Later, you make headway with an in-

fluential person in financial matters. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Get busy at the telephone. writing etc. that can bring in money you need at this time.

Don't naglect marketing today. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You may be troubled nver a financial matter, but you come to the right decision in solving it. Use a good idea you have,

SAGITTARIUS (Nnv. 22 to Dec. 21) Discusa practical angles of business with a partnar. Squeeze in a little recreation on the side also.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't go around confiding in others so much. Plan how best to please a loved nna and be thoughtful and kind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feh. 19) You want to be pretty much by yourself now, but friends, relatives or loved one want you to go along with them, so comply.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Don't neglect to get your marketing done. Tonight you can be with a very clever person for whatevar you have in mind.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY . . . he or she will want to force his or8her way into almost anything and if it doesn't work, will run away and pout. Early teach to think and then act in a composed and courteons manner. Send to the right kind of schools. Stress sports. "The Stara impel, they do not compel." What you make

of your life is largely up to youl

Reagan accuses Democrats of playing politics on budget WASHINGTON (R) - President The "tax cap" plan. pushed hy

Reagan Friday accused the opposition Democratic Party of jeopardising economic recovery by playing politics with budget pol-

"I am both saddened and appalled that the liberal house leadership is pursuing a strategy that would jeopardise our hard-earned economic recovery," Reagan said in a written statement on House of Representatives bill that would limit a cut in taxes set to take effect next week.

He called the proposal "illadvised, misguided, and politically motivated" and promised to veto it if it is also adopted by the Sen-

House Speaker Thomas O'Neill, would limit to \$720 the size of the tax cut received by any taxpayer "Mr. O'Neill says the measure,

approved by the House Thursday on a party-line vote, will prevent a windfall for high income tax-Earlier in the day, White House

Spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters Mr. Reagan was also disappointed with a budget resolution passed by the full Congress Thursday.

"The hudget resolution is out of kilter in every aspect as far as the administration is concerned." Mr. Speakes said.

EEC, Japan to discuss trade imbalance

resentatives of the European according to new Japanese figures Community and Japan will meet was 8.5 per cent up in the first five in Brussels in early July to discuss months of this year to \$4.4 billion.

The officials say community ween the two, community officials

centrate on Japan's trade surplus ferent criteria.

BEAUTIFUL, ISN'T IT?

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BRUSSELS (R) - Rep- with the 10-nation bloc, which

figures are not yet available but said Friday.

They said the talks, due to be show the gap to be even greater as their statistics are based on dif-

MAYBE, WHEN WE GET BACK

YOU CAN SELL SOME OF

YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS TO A

WILDLIFE MAGAZINE ..

Soares wins support for austerity drive

'It's not very pleasant to govern Portugal at this particular time".

He was speaking in parliament Friday night shortly before it gave him the higgest government majority since the 1974 revolution. endorsing a tough austerity programme designed to lift Europe's poorest country out of an economic nightmare.

The 58-year-old politician's swift action since taking office has stunned the usually easy-going Portuguese but delighted economists who have long urged drastic measures to save Portugal from bankruptcy.

The new centre-left coalition's austerity programme was app-

In the preceding three days, the coalition beaded by Mr. Soares devalued the escudo by 12 per cent, raised the prices of staple foods by some 15 to 40 per cent. froze state investment in the publie sector for two months pending a thorough review, and gave notice of further bitter medicine

Spokesmen for the powerful Communist Party, third largest

after the ruling Socialists and Soc-

WHAT'S WILDLIFE?

YOU'RE WILDLIFE

LISBON (R) - Socialist Prime ial Democrats, denounced the Minister Mario Soares confided: new measures as brutal and aimed against the working class.

The small Christian Democrat Party. formerly government partners with the Social Democrars in an alliance which collapsed six months ago, voted with the Communists against the new team. Political sources said they were

dismayed by the severity of the new measures and lack of advance consultation. Mr. Soares also gave notice Fri-

day night that he would seek legislative authority to allow private enterprise to compete in banking and insurgence, nationalised after the revolution. As a gesture to labour in his att-

empts to forge a social pact, Mr. roved by 161 votes to 67, with four Soares has already scrapped a 17 per cent ceiling on pay increases decreed by his predecessors. Critics warned that the new

price rises risked a further jump in Portugal's inflation rate, already over 20 per cent.

But the government, buoyed by its huge parliamentary backing, hopes the shock measures will provide the stimulus needed to get Portugal back on the road to economic stability as it negotiates for membership of the European Community

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THE Daily Crossword by Lols Sidway

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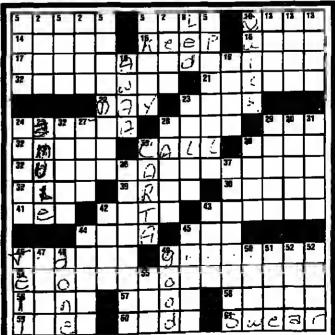
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Mutt 'n' Jeff

















WORLD

Controversy rages in Argentina over deaths of 2 leftists in May

BUENOS AIRES (R) — Controversy is raging in Argentina over the shooting of two leftists last month.

Military sources say that moderate and hardline officers in the ruling armed forces are at odds over the incident.

An official police report on the May 14 shooting said the men died, in a shoot-out with patrolmen, but coroners have since found they

were shot at close range, possibly after torture. Three patrolmen are being held on charges of homicide but police lawyers have filed writs of habeas corpus on their behalf and are

challenging the accuracy of the forensic reports.

Buenos Aires' police chief. Gen. Fernando Verplaetsen, defended the patrolmen as brave young men acting in fulfilment of their duties. There was a concerted propaganda campaign against the police, he

And army commander Cristino Nicolaides told reporters Friday he fully agreed with the general's remarks.

But many politicians, human rights groups and newspapers have

repudiated the official account. Left-wing Peronist leader Vicente Saadi openly accused the army of abducting and killing the two men and rigging the shoot-out later to cover it up.

Police chief Verplactsen described the dead men. Osvaldo Cambiaso and Eduardo Pereira Rossi, as"two sinister agents of death and violence".

Cambiaso was a Peronist activist and officials bave described Pereira Rossi as a member of the Montoneros guerrilla group, one of the left-wing organisations crushed by the armed forces in the "dirty war" of the late 1970s.

The May 14 killings raised fears of renewed political violence in Argentina, where the ruling junta has promised to hold general elections in October and return the country to democracy in January

The military sources said the hardliners among the officer corps were against a proposed amnesty to cover both guerrillas and officers who violated human rights during the anti-guerrilla campaign.

Honduran version of U.S. newsmen's death in doubt

Weteran Cuban politician

buried with full honours

Vatican journalist resigns

VATICANCITY (R) — A Varican journalist who said Lech Walesa had temporarily lost his battle with the Polish authorities has resigned as deputy editor of the semi-official Osservatore Romano. a

Virgilio Levi wrote in a front-page editorial in Friday's newspaper

that the Polish union leader had met the Pope "without claiming to count at all anymore in the present phase of his country's life".

Pope John Paul II met Mr. Walesa privately on Thursday, the last day of the Pope's eight-day tour of his homeland.

LONDON (R) - Opponents of the death penalty still hold a slim

eight-vote margin in Britian's new Parliament over those who want

Although most of the 650 members of the House of Commons

Mrs. Thatcher herself wants it back, but the Sun's list of undecided

Viembers of Parliament included her new Home Secretary Leon

The newpaper's survey found 300 members planning to vote for capital punishment, 308 ready to vote against. Six said they would

GOREN BRIDGE

WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.4-Neither vulnerable, as

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the editorial expressed his own views as a journalist.

U.K. anti-hanging lobby

still holds 8-vote margin

to bring back the hangman, a newspaper aurvey reported.

who have not, the right-wing tabloid Sun newspaper said.

The Vatican spokesman confirmed Mr. Levi's own statement that

journalists have expressed doubts over the Honduran version of how two U.S. correspondents died on the Honduran-Nicaraguan border last Tuesday.

The Honduran government said Dial Torgerson of the Los Angeles Times and Richard Cross, a freclance photographer, were killed when a rocket-propelled grenade tired from inside Nicaragua hit their car on the mad between Las Trojes and Cifuentes in Hon-

lt said Nicaraguan troops fired the granade from a tobacco farm near El Provenir, where the Nicaraguan army has been fighting U.S.-backed rebels trying to overetrow the left-wing government

HAVANA (R) - Cuban Deputy

Frime Minister Osvaldo Dorticos

was buried with full honours, exa-

ctly 24 hours after he shot himself

band of men who shaped the des-

tiny of the Caribbean island since

the 1959 revolution that turned it

into the first communist state in

the Americas, committed suicide

at his Havana home on Thursday.

Valican spokesman said.

BY CHARLES GOREN

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vir. Dorticos, one of the small

Dutch freelance journalists Jan

ia a lit of depression.

MANAGUA (R) - Two Dutch Thielen and Harry van der Daart told a press conference here that they came under machinegun fire tast week from both sides of the road near the spot where the Americans died.

> "We believe counterrevolutionariea (Nicaraguan rebels) fired on us." Mr. Thielen said.

Although the road runs parallel to the border and is only one kilometre from it at one point." it seems impossible that a projectile fired from the El Provenir tobacco farm could hit the place where the Americans died." he added.

Meanwhile, the Honduran government rushed more troops in the Cifentes border area to reinforce the (51) troops already posted there, eyewitnesses on the Honduran side of the border said.

coffin, led the funeral procession

through crowded city-centre str-

ccts to the pantheon of the armed

forces in Havana cemetery, last

resting place of the heroes of the

An official statement said Mr.

Dorticos, 64, killed himself while

suffering from a chronic spinal

disease. It said he was also sev-

death of his wife. He had no chi-

crely depressed over the recent

communist revolution.

Shuttle crew jubilant "It was fun." Ride, who married

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE. California (R) — A happy Sally Ride held up her arms in triumph and her fellow astronauts hailed a "fantastic, super" flight -- but space shuttle Challenger found itself Friday night trapped in down-to-earth mud.

After circling the earth for six days, the 95-ton space craft was stuck for five hours when one of its wheels became bogged in a muddy paich on the "dry" lakehed at Edwards air base.

Surrounded by some of the latest equipment and technology. groundstaff finally removed the wheel said to have been making a scraping noise, and put plywood over the muddy patch. They then put the wheel back and towed Challenger to firm ground.

astronaut Steven Hawley last July, declared after announcing her return to earth, waving ber arms above her head. "It's the most fun I will ever have in my life". President Reagan telephoned

his congratulations to the crew and told Ride: "You were there because you were the best person for the job" The associate administrator for space flight, Lt-Gen. James Abr-

abamson, said the fact that Challenger will have to be flown on a Boeing 747 back to Cape Canaveral could delay the next flight by eight days.

This flight, which will carry the first black U.S. astronaut, Guion Bluford, should now take place about the end of August, he said,

U.S. finds Cuba helpful in bid to thwart hijacks

horities have disclosed they are public. now jailing airline hijackers for Diplomats here have long said between 12 and 20 years, compared with an average of three they are not made public to help

sentences and Cuba's decision to. hijacking which, like others this publicise them indicated Havana's determination to halt hijackings.

It issued the U.S. interests secdetermination to halt hijsckings.

Four packed American airliners tinn at the Swiss embassy in Havhave been commandeered to ana with a list of people who have Cuba in the past seven weeks. hijacked planes to Cuba over the prompting the United States to past three years and the sentences step up its demands that hijackers they received.

HAVANA (R) -- Cuban aut- be returned or their fate made

years in 1980, informed sources deter future hijackings, said. The sources said Cuba finally

The sources said Friday stiffer agreed last week after the latest

war against the government seeking independence or autonomy. In an interview with the Jeddah-based Arab News published Saturday. Mr. Marcos said

2nd co-accused in De Lorean case pleads guilty to charges

olving John de Lorean unexpectedly pleaded guilty Friday. leaving the car manufacturer the only defendant in the case to maintain his innocence.

Stephen Lee Arrington, who has been in custody since his arrest last October in lieu of bail of S.250,000, pleaded guilty to conspiring to possess and distribute a drug and to distribute at drug and to distribute at drug.

One of De Lorean's lawyers.

Mr. De Lorean, arrested in Los

Donald Re. told reporters Arringion's decision to change his plea would have no impact on the

U.S. District Court Judge Robert Takasugi set sentencing for Mr. Arrington, a former U.S. naval underwater demolition exp-

three accused in the case. William set up the factory.

LOS ANGELES (R) — A second co-accused in the drug case invnts of drug charges and agreed to give evidence against Mr. De Lorean if asked by the prosecution to

Mr. Arrington's lawyer. Ric-hard Barnett, told reporters his client would in no circumstances agree to cooperate with the prosectuion by giving evidence. He said Mr. Hetrick's decision to cha-

Angeles last October with Hetrick and Arrington, has pleaded not guilty to a series of drug cnunts. cluding conspring to distribute 25 kilogrammes of cocaine. Mr. De Lorean's arrest came

hours after the British govemment closed his car factory in ert. for Aug. 25.

Two weeks ago another of the had provided \$140 million to help

Most Third World birth rates too high, study says

WASHINGTON (R) - Birth raies in most underdeveloped countries are not declining fast enough to permit improved standards of living, and governments should develop incentives to enc-

The report by the private, nonprofit research group was sponsored by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

ourage small families, the Wor-

Idwatch Institute said Saturday.

"Extra effort must be made if countries are to avoid the enormous population increases likely to bankrupt their physical. economic and social resources." the author of the report, Judith Jacobsen, wrote.

Government policies were more effective if they nudged rather than pushed people to have fewer children, the report said. Since the 1960s birth rates had fallen almost everywhere. except

in Africa, but were still too high in many developing countries to allow an improved standard of living. it said.

Payments for sterilisation and

contraception had been criticised as coercive, particularly in exerting psychological influence on

More innovative incentives. such as pensions to guarantee that parents did not need several children to support them in their old age, seemed to work better, the report said.

Ms. Jacobsen noted some two dozen developing countries had government programmes to encourage women to have children. In the Philippines, a country that had lowered its birth rate, the government encouraged work bon-uses to women who did not use their maternity leave.

The main population problem was still the lack of family planning services, she told a press conference.

Making contraception information available, with commitment from the highest levels of government, was the best way to encourage fewer children, she

"Governments reluctant to confront the difficulties of influencing family size... should consider the alternatives: Doubling and tripling of populations already on the margin of survival," the report

way towards total Vietnamese pullout He was met at Jakarta airport BANGKOK (R) - Five non- emational conference. by Gen. Surono, the political affcommunist South East Asian cou-But Vietnam has demanded that Siddhi should visit Hanoi to airs and security minister who was ntries Saturday formally endorsed standing in for Foreign Minister a Thai proposal calling on Vie-Mochtar Kusumaatmadja, now in

first step towards a total pullout. A communique issued after two days of talks among foreign ministers from the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) also expressed approval of Thai Foreign Minister Siddhi Savetsila's intention to visit Hanoi if Vietnamese troops pulled 30 kdometres back from Kmp-

tnam to withdraw its forces from

uchea's border with Thailand. The ministers from Thadand. Indonesia, the Philippines. Singapore and Malaysia expressed the hope that constructive consultations with Vietnam could

osition leader Chandra Shekhar

trudged into New Delhi Saturday

after walking 4.000 kilometres

across the country, emulating sim-

ilar marathon marches und-

ertaken by independence leader

Mahaima Gandhi in the 1940s to

Mr. Shekhar, 56-year-old pre-

sident of India's Janata Party

which ruled the country from

1977 to 1980, was weary but con-

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JEDDAH (R) - Philippine Pre-

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negotiate the Thai proposal without setting any preconditions. It the Thai-Kampuchean border as a also made clear it would not agree to a total withdrawal from Kampuchea until what it termed a

ASEAN says Thai proposal paves

"Chinese threat" was removed. The communique said that a recently announced Vietnamese troop withdrawal from Kampuchea should be "credible and should be part and parcel of the total withdrawal".

Sihanouk in Jakarta

memorial to Gandhi this aft-

ched people all over India and

enthused them with an optimism

that they can build a new future

for themselves." Mr. Shekhar told.

Mr. Shekhar, dressed in white

home spun cotton clothes pop-

ularised by Gandhi and wearing

leather sandals, began his walk in

Kanyakumari on the southern tip

of the subcontinent in a bid to

National Liberation Front

He had promised to give Mr.

(MNLF), through intermediaries.

Misuari a free hand to run the pro-

vince as he saw fit, provided the

country's territorial integrity was

preserved, he told the newspaper.

that would have been an opp-

ortunity for him. But he refused

it quoted him as saying.

"If his purpose is really peace

Mr. Marcos said the situation in

'I feel confident that I have rea-

JAKARTA (R) - Prince Norodom Sihanouk, head of the anti-Vietnamese coalition in Kampuchea, arrived here Saturday for a five-day visit to Indhelp prepare a comprehensive pol- onesia during which be will have itical settlement through an int- talks with President Suharto. Indian politician ends

marathon march in Delhi

NEW DELHI (R) - Indian opp- that began six months ago at a

He will formally end his walk reach the grassroots of rural India.

Marcos says Mindanao

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Seoul jails former M.P.

Bangkok for a meeting of the Ass-

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be would hold a press conference

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He was due to pay a courtesy

call on President Suharto later and

to have a brief meeting with

Vice-President Umar Wir-

Prince Sihanouk arrived from

Bangkok where be stopped briefly

on a flight from Europe. He said after a short meeting in Bangkok

with ASEAN foreign ministers

that be would stay on as leader of

the anti-Vietnamese coalition.

Prince Sihanouk told reporters

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away to a waiting car.

SEOUL (R) - A South Korean court Saturday jailed a former opposition Member of Parliament for 10 days for distributing antigovernment leaflets about leading dissident Kim Young-Sam's rec-en hunger strike. Mr. Kim'a aides

Moon Boo-Sik. 54. is the first former M.P. to be jailed in connection with Mr. Kim's 23-day fast for democracy which ended on June 9, they said.

a few other supporters of Mr. Kun, head of the outlawed New Democratic Party (NDP) and a former presidential contender. have recently been detained on simdar charges.

Nakasone: Lower House will be safe'

TOKYO (R) - Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone said Saturday be would dissolve the Lower House of Parliament even if his ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) party wins a major victory in Sunday's upper house

he had made the offer to Mr. Mus- Mindanao was now under control. Police in 17 U.S. states hunt for remains of sex-killer's victims

MONTAGUE. Texas (R) - A wispy-bearded drifter who asionished police by boasting he killed 10t) women in an eight-year spree of sex slayings across America is being held in jail while detectives in 17 states hunt the remains of his victims.

Police believe Henry Lee Lucas, 46. decapitated, disembowelled or sexually mutilated some of the 20 young women found dead along the main northsouth highway through Oklahoma and Texas over the last few years.

But Lucas, who said he started killing girls when he was 13, insisted he had murdered dozens of others and even produced skctches of nine of his victims.

First arrested on a weapons charge. Lucas sent shock waves rippling through this small north Texas community by recounting how he stalked and killed women across the country. Most of his victims were runaway girls and hitch-hikers.

He listed a string of murders since he was freed from a Michigan mental institution in 1975 after serving 15 years of a sentence for stabbing his mother to

Lucas, a gaunt man with a straggly beard and moustache, was would have sex with them som-

hearing on Thursday night in lieu of bail, set at \$1 million.

He has so far been charged with three murders -- an 80-year-old woman who employed him as a handyman, a 15-year-old runaway girl from Florida who lived with him and an unidentified young woman whose headless body was found in the Hale County in 1481. The head was found six weeks later in Arizona.

Hale County's county sheriff Charles Tue said Lucas told him he raped the young woman, sta-bbed her, cut off her head then had sex with the torso.

"When he cut her head off she was still alive." Tue added. Officials said Lucas was also

being questioned about the kidnap-murder of a 12-year-old girl in 1977 and the strangling of a young woman, who was found naked except for a pair of orange socks on halloween night in 1980. Jim Boutwell. sheriff of Wil-

liamson County north of Austin where the "halloween girl" was found, interviewed Lucas, "He apparently just had a compulsion for stalking girls and young women." Boutwell said. "He etimes before or after death... sometimes both".

Judge. Frank Douthitt ordered three psychiatrists to examine Lucas and asked him if he considered himself mentally competent to stand trial.

"There are about 100 women out there that say different." Lucas replied. "I would say yes. I think so. I am guilty of it.

"I keep asking for help... I know it ain't normal for a person just to go out and kill a girl that won't

Montague Sheriff W. F. Conway said he had received calls from police in about 17 states since Lucas boasted of his nationwide murder spree.

Lucas has already led police to the remains of the girl from Flo-rida who posed as his wife and 80-vear-old Kate Rich - who employed him after ber daughter in California said she was impressed by his abilities as a han-

Police found fragments of human bones in a wood-burning stove in Lucas's shack. A court official said police in other states were following up leads and added: "There are some diggings

USS New Jersey to arrive off Japan

NEWS

BRIEF

TOKYO (R) - A 58,000-ton American battleship which fought against the Japanese in World War II is heading a U.S. naval force sbortly to arrive off Japan. military sources said. They told Reuters the battleship New Jersey and its escort vessles, including missile cruisers. destroyers and frigates, will become attached to the U.S. Seventh Fleet and operate for several months in Asian waters. The sources said the ship would probably patrol for some time in Japanese waters because of the new emphasis which the U.S. armed forces are putting on northwest Asia.

Soviet diplomat calls mugging 'organised'

SAN FRANCISCO (R) - A Soviet consular official said the mugging of a senior Soviet diplomat in San Franciso Thursday was an act of organised provocation. Conaular official Igor Lobysev said consul Igor Plotnikov received four heavy-bead wounds from two men who attacked him Thursday morning as he opened a garage door at his home. San Francisco police said they considered the attack a case of attempted robbery because Mr. Plotnikov had said he fought off the assailants as they tried to search his pockets. But Mr. Lobysev said, "we consider this banditry as another act of organised provocation against a Sov-iet diplomat."

Director on trial for actor's death

LOS ANGELES (R) - Film director John Landis and four other makers of the movie "Twilight Zone" have pleaded not guilty to charges of involuntary manslaughter in connection with the deaths of actor Vic Morrow and two child actors last July. The three were killed when a helicopter being used in a Vietnam War battle scene went out of control and crashed in flames at a location site in Saugus, California.

Executive jailed for hindering probe

ALTON. Illinois (R) - A 39year-old man who rose from junior clerk to big spending executive was sentenced to 10 years in jail for obstructing a probe of a \$16 million swindle involving his stockbroking firm. Company Vice-President Thomas Brimberry, alleged by the prosecution to have taken large groups of people on all-expenses paid gambling trips in Las Vegas, received the maximum sentence on two charges stemming from the investigation of Stix Company. "Any sentence less than the maximum would serve to deprecate the seriousness of the offence," said Judge Wil-liam Bentty while passing sen-

U.K. black lawyer lands in trouble

LONDON (R) — Britain's bestknown black lawyer. Rudy Narayan, has been found guilty of professional misconduct and barred from practice for six weeks. A professional tribunal found Mr. Narayan guilty of sneaking a look at a policeman's notebook last year while defending black youths on murder charges arising from a brawl in south London. It also rep-rimanded him on three counts. including verbal abuse of policemen and prosecutors as liars and incompetents. Mr. Narayan. 44. a Guyana-born black rights activist, said he planned to appeal against his suspension, which will not take effect for 28 days.

U.K. duck eats fellow competitor

HERNE BAY. England (R) — Quackers the duck has been blamed for eating a fellow competitor in Britain's national show for unusual pcts. "Quackers kept waddling over to look into a bucket near the judging line," said her owner, Sue Dane. "I thought not-hing of it until a little boy asked where his pet slug had gone." The victim was later identified as Fred. a slug who had been rated a good bet for show honours because of his extraordinary size - 25 centimetres long. With Fred out of it and Quakers in disgrace, the top prize went to a monkey.

1983 offers last chance for nuclear disarmament, Swedish institute says

STOCKHOLM (R) — This year presents a last chance for disarmament and a grave risk of nuclear weapons escalation on a new scale, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) says in a recent study.

SIPRI's 1983 yearbook says that unless the United States and Soviet Union reach agreement at talks in Geneva, the world stockpile of nuclear arms will rise to over 60.000 by 1990.

"In the history of weapons. certain years mark new stages in the process of military confrontation. 1983 is such a year.

"Once new deployments are made, they are rarely reversed. They usually prove to be points of no return." the book said. The North Atlantic Treaty Org-

shing II missiles in Europe from December if the Geneva talks on reducing medium-range weapons SIPRI is an independent institute of international academics financed by the Swedish par-

deploying U.S. cruise and Pcr-

liament to research peace pro-SIPRI gives a depressing review nf 1982, saying there was no pro-

gress towards disarmament while arms spending and trading continued to boom, with \$700 to 750 billion spent worldwide.

The book says world military volume spending increased by around four per cent a year between 1979 and 1982, compared with an annual two per cent rise in previous five years.

anisation (NATO) is due to start the previous four years, and that U.S. spending rose by seven per cent a year. But it says the Warsaw Pact

maintained a superiority of more than two to one over the West in missiles with a range of over 1.13(3) kilometres deployed in Europe.

Countries in the Middle East and Asia - and Latin America. whose arms race received fresh impetus from last year's war between Britain and Argentina over the Falkland Islands -- increased their spending by over four per cent a year.

On conventional weapons. SIPRI says the total volume of the world arms trade increased by 80 per cent from 1978-1982 over the

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